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To: Salo, Earl [Salo.Earl@epa.gov]; Openchowski, Charles [openchowski.charles@epa.gov]

CC: Swenson, Erik [Swenson.Erik@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: OGC Review requested: Updated EPCRA/CERCLA action summary

Thanks Earl.

Please forward the statement with your edits and indicate that we concur.

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OLEM forwarded this draft statement for their webpage on the status of reporting by farms after the Waterkeeper decision. Thia draft includes my edits. I recommend that OGC concur with these edits.

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 2:29 PM

To: Salo, Earl <Salo.Earl@epa.gov>; Swenson, Erik <Swenson.Erik@epa.gov>

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OLEM Front Office edits on the communication statement that we have drafted to share on our website. The summary describes next steps for EPA to develop guidance on the EPCRA/CERCLA court vacatur. They want these revisions cleared through OGC.

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**Sent**: 1/25/2018 4:41:29 PM

**To**: Bodine, Susan [bodine.susan@epa.gov]

CC: Sullivan, Greg [Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov]; Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]; Gioffre, Patricia

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**Subject**: Questions related to enforcing the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements at farm operations.

Hi Susan,

Per our discussion yesterday, here are the enforcement questions that have be asked over the last several weeks related to enforcing the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements at farm operations.

- Q. Will the EPA be enforcing against farm operations for failing to report or report appropriately under CERCLA or EPCRA?
- Q. What are the penalties for a farm owner/operator not reporting under the CERCLA or EPCRA reporting requirements?
- Q. How does a farmer know if they are still in "compliance with the Animal Feeding Operations Air Compliance
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  the number/species of animals, would the compliance agreement still be valid? (Tim Sullivan is developing a
  response)
- Q. Will producers be protected from citizen suit if they begin the notification reporting process shortly after a 60-day notice of suit is filed?

I have a meeting with James Miles and Greg Sullivan at 1 pm today to discuss these issues/questions.

Thanks, Kim

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**Sent**: 11/25/2017 6:09:03 PM

To: Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]

**Subject**: FW: Update #3 for Today: CERCLA/EPCRA Ag issues

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 3:03 PM

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Subject: RE: Update #3 for Today: CERCLA/EPCRA Ag issues

Last update for the day!

OEM updated the CERCLA EPCRA website to include the following information in the Red Alert Box:

NEW! On November 22, 2017, the DC Circuit Court of Appeals granted EPA's motion to further stay the mandate until January 22, 2018.

Farms with continuous releases do not have to submit their initial continuous release notification until the DC Circuit Court of Appeals issues its order, or mandate, enforcing the Court's opinion of April 11, 2017. No reporting is necessary until the mandate is issued.

To expedite your initial continuous release notification to the National Response Center, you may use the temporary email option. This option avoids potential large call volumes and delays. It allows one email notification for owners/operators with multiple farms.

https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms

#### Best wishes!

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Good news! The DC circuit granted our motion to further extend the mandate until January 22, 2018.

OEM is working to update the EPA website to communicate the extension. Making you all aware as well.

Best wishes! Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

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Subject: Update: CERCLA/EPCRA Ag issues

#### Hello all-

Sharing with you a one-page briefing document that was prepared for the Administrator on the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements for farms. This is an internal document and not meant for distribution.

As of this time, the DC Circuit Court has not issued the mandate that vacates the 2008 final rule. Therefore, farmers are still not required to report. We will send an update again next week as new information becomes available.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Best wishes and have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving weekend!

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**Subject:** IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA Ag issues

Hi all,

I know that there has been a lot of frustration with ensuring that regional staff receive timely communications on the CERCLA EPCRA requirements for farmers. Activities on this issue have rapidly evolved and as a result, you have received information from external stakeholders or others within the Agency (rather than from OEM staff). We will make it a priority to do better moving forward, beginning with weekly updates. OEM will also send additional emails to communicate changes to the website or availability of other materials as quickly as we can.

With that said, let me take a moment to thank you all for your communication efforts thus far with ag stakeholders. I am sure you have spent a lot of time answering questions and listening to complaints from farmers. I know that it can be difficult being on the front lines of these interactions and I appreciate the time and effort you have taken to provide this customer service to our stakeholders. Please continue to answer these questions and encourage stakeholders to submit their questions to <a href="mailto:CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov">CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov</a>. The website is evergreen, and therefore, we will continue to consider comments to that email address after the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Last week, OEM made several revisions to the website to address the overwhelming number of calls to the NRC from farmers making initial continuous release notifications. These changes happened rapidly, and in coordination with attorneys in OGC, to let farmers know that an email could substitute for a call to the NRC. Farmers (or their representatives) that send an email receive an automated response with the same CR-ERNS number to document the call. OEM will work with the regions to set up a system to manage these emails. So far, we have received approx. 2,400 emails. There could be multiple farms reported in some of these emails.

At this time, the NRC is not accepting calls from farmers who want to report an initial continuous release notification. OEM continues to work with the NRC to find a solution that allows farmers with no access to email to be able to make their initial notification without overwhelming the NRC duty officers. As we make progress working with the NRC, we will send out email updates.

At this time, farms are not yet required to comply with CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements. Once the DC circuit court issues the mandate that vacates the 2008 rule farms will once again be subject to the reporting requirements. We will send an update to you once we get news of an expected date the court will issue the mandate, and OEM will update the website.

Finally, I know you all are getting lots of questions from farmers. I want to include a couple of Q&As in this email that you can share with farmers when you speak with them. We intend to update the website with these Q&As as well as others.

### Q. Do farms that have cattle reside primarily outside of an enclosed structure and graze on pastures, need to comply with reporting releases of hazardous substances from animal wastes under CERCLA section 103?

A: Yes. EPA considers all contiguous property under common ownership to be a single facility for reporting purposes. For purposes of determining whether you have a reportable release, a person must identify all of the sources of hazardous substances releases, identify the quantities that are emitted from each source, and aggregate the quantities released for the facility. In making this determination, farms should include all releases from the facility, including releases from animal waste due to animals that reside primarily outside of an enclosed structure.

### Q. If a farmer made an initial notification before the court issued the mandate, do they still need to submit a written report to the EPA regional office within 30 days?

A: No. For those farmers who have already made their initial continuous release notification, the farmer should wait to submit the written report until the court issues the mandate. Within 30 days of the court mandate, the famer must submit a written report to the EPA regional office. No additional call or email to the NRC is required.

If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us in OEM. You can call or email me or Sicy Jacob can be reached at 202-564-8019 and Patty Gioffre at 202-564-1972.

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Subject: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA Ag issues

Hi all (sorry is some of you are getting this twice),

I wanted to update on the EPCRA/CERCLA Ag issue. As you know, on April 11, 2017, the Court struck down the EPCRA/CERCLA final rule, eliminating the reporting exemptions for farms. Unless the DC Circuit Court takes further action, the court's ruling takes effect on **November 15, 2017**. Several weeks ago, EPA provided guidance materials to help farmers understand their reporting obligations and, that guidance for farm owners/operators on our website at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms">https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms</a>. The website includes FAQs on CERCLA and EPCRA reporting and instructions on how to submit continuous release reports. As a result, farmers are now calling the NRC to make an initial continuous release notification.

Several issues have arisen related to farmer owners/operators making their initial continuous release notification to the National Response Center (NRC). First, the NRC is experiencing a large volume of calls, which have the potential to overwhelm their capacity. Second, the automated system the NRC uses to ensure release notifications get to the appropriate Federal, State, and local response officials, has resulted in some State and local officials calling the farm owners/operators to get more information about the release they reported and what response is needed. In order to resolve these issues, EPA has been working with the NRC program officials and made the following changes:

- The NRC has established an e-mail notification system so farm owners/operators can email their continuous release reports to the NRC, as an alternative to calling the NRC. Farmers who have multiple farms can list the name and location of all farms, as well as the associated name(s) of hazardous substance(s) released, in one e-mail. Please encourage farmers to use this e-mail option to provide the National Response Center (NRC) with their initial continuous release notification. The NRC e-mail address is: <a href="https://www.nRC-center.new.org.nl">NRC-CERCLA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-EPCRA-
- Once the email is received by the NRC e-mail notification system, it will generate an automatic response e-mail with a generic identification number (CR-ERNS) for the farm (note: this number will be the same for all farm owners/operators who provide their initial notification to the NRC via email). The farm owner/operator will place that CR-ERNS number on the follow-up written notification report that is required to be submitted to the EPA Regional Office within 30 days. Therefore, on or around December 15, 2017, all EPA Regional offices will be receiving a large number of written continuous release reports from farm owners/operators.

Regarding the factsheet or "cheat sheet" that was developed to provide compliance assistance to farmers who may soon need to report air release from animal waste under the CERCLA section 103, EPA is working on revising that document to include the above information and will get that out to you as soon as we can.

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Subject: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

#### How about:

Hi all-I am sure you are eager to get more information on how EPA is addressing the court's vacatur of the final rule that exempted farms from reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste.

- On April 11, 2017, the DC Circuit Court vacated this final rule.
- In response to a request from EPA, the DC Circuit Court extended the date by which farms must begin reporting these releases to November 15, 2017.
- To assist farmers in meeting CERCLA and EPCRA reporting requirements, EPA Senior Leadership in OLEM, OGC, and OECA are working on guidance to assist farms in reporting their air releases under CERCLA and EPCRA. EPA is working to have this guidance available to farmers with enough time to review the guidance and comply with the reporting requirements.

I believe that Patty Gioffre and Sicy Jacob provided a brief update during the last EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call. There was also a discussion about the attached letter drafted by Region 5 and how that may not currently reflect the guidance that we plan to issue.

I would like to reiterate that since we are working on providing guidance to farms, the Regions should NOT send out letters to farmers explaining their responsibilities to report hazardous substance releases under CERCLA and EPCRA. Please wait until we have finalized the guidance on how to comply with EPCRA/CERCLA reporting requirements for air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste.

Thanks and let me know if you have any questions. Kim

Kim Jennings

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From: Sullivan, Greg [Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 10/31/2017 7:13:27 PM

To: Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]; Saenz, Diana [Saenz.Diana@epa.gov]

Subject: Fwd: CERCLA and EPCRA Ag Guidance is now available

#### Sent from my iPhone

#### Begin forwarded message:

From: "Kelley, Rosemarie" < Kelley.Rosemarie@epa.gov>

**Date:** October 31, 2017 at 2:00:25 PM EDT **To:** "Ziegel, Dean@epa.gov>

Cc: "Sullivan, Greg" <<u>Sullivan, Greg@epa.gov</u>>, "Theis, Joseph" <<u>Theis, Joseph@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: CERCLA and EPCRA Ag Guidance is now available

No, I had not heard. Thanks for sharing.

#### Rosemarie

From: Ziegel, Dean

Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 12:12 PM

To: Kelley, Rosemarie < Kelley.Rosemarie@epa.gov >

Subject: FW: CERCLA and EPCRA Ag Guidance is now available

Hi Rosemarie,

I'm sure you are aware of this but the CERCLA/EPCRA Guidance for farms has been posted. See below.

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If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks, Dean

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:35 PM

**To:** Dunkins, Robin < <u>Dunkins.Robin@epa.gov</u>>; Costa, Allison < <u>Costa.Allison@epa.gov</u>>; Schrock, Bill < <u>Schrock.Bill@epa.gov</u>>; Subramanian, Hema < <u>Subramanian.Hema@epa.gov</u>>; Molloy, Jennifer < <u>molloy.jennifer@epa.gov</u>>; Brennan, Ross < <u>Brennan.Ross@epa.gov</u>>; Bonnelycke, Nina

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Subject: CERCLA and EPCRA Ag Guidance is now available

I am pleased to announce that the CERCLA/ EPCRA ag guidance is live on the EPA website. The guidance is intended to assist farmers in reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste at farms. EPA is making this information available to provide time for farmers to review and prepare for the reporting obligation, which could become effective as early as November 15, 2017.

On December 18, 2008, EPA published a final rule that exempted certain farms from reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste. On April 11, 2017, the DC Circuit Court vacated this final rule. In response to a request from EPA, the DC Circuit Court extended the date on which its ruling would become effective to November 15, 2017. Unless the court further extends this date, farms (including those previously exempted by EPA's rule) that release hazardous substances to the air from animal wastes equal to or greater than the reportable quantities for those hazardous substances within any 24-hour period must comply with applicable statutory reporting requirements.

To view EPA's guidance and Frequently Asked Questions on reporting air emissions from animal waste: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms">https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms</a>

EPA will revise this guidance, as necessary, to reflect additional information to assist farm owners and operators to meet reporting obligations. Interested parties may submit comments or suggestions by November 24, 2017.

Please share this information with your interested stakeholders and regional contacts.

#### Best wishes!

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From: Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/18/2018 6:02:00 PM

To: Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]

Subject: EPCRA Guidance call

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From: Ziegel, Dean [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/26/2018 6:11:31 PM

To: Sullivan, Greg [Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov]; Saenz, Diana [Saenz.Diana@epa.gov]; Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: More edits provided by OMB on EPCRA Q&A

Hi Greg,

I have been finding out about, and been participating in, these calls.

Dean

From: Sullivan, Greg

Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2018 12:53 PM

To: Saenz, Diana <Saenz.Diana@epa.gov>; Miles, James <miles.james@epa.gov>; Ziegel, Dean <Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: More edits provided by OMB on EPCRA Q&A

FYI. Dean, I am not seeing your name on some of these emails. Can you Check-In with gerain to get on the list? Thanks.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Cogliano, Gerain" < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov>

Date: April 26, 2018 at 10:50:10 AM MDT

To: "Jennings, Kim" < Jennings.Kim@epa.gov>, "Gioffre, Patricia" < Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov>, "Jacob,

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Subject: More edits provided by OMB on EPCRA Q&A

Attached are two follow-up comments/edits (highlighted in yellow) on the routine agricultural Q&A.

There are no more comments on the Farm Act Guidance.

From: Sullivan, Greg [Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/26/2018 4:52:37 PM

To: Saenz, Diana [Saenz. Diana@epa.gov]; Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]; Ziegel, Dean [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov]

Subject: Fwd: More edits provided by OMB on EPCRA Q&A

Attachments: EO 12866 Interagency Review Comments EPCRA Q and A - routine agricultural operations 4.26.docx; ATT00001.htm

FYI. Dean, I am not seeing your name on some of these emails. Can you Check-In with gerain to get on the list? Thanks.

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Date: April 26, 2018 at 10:50:10 AM MDT

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Greg" <<u>Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov</u>>

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There are no more comments on the Farm Act Guidance.

From: Sullivan, Greg [Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/16/2018 1:39:19 PM

To: Ziegel, Dean [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov]

CC: Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]; Saenz, Diana [Saenz.Diana@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: EPCRA

Attachments: EPCRA Q and A - FARM Act - CLEAN version 4-13-18.docx; EPCRA Q and A - routine agricultural operations - CLEAN

version 4-13-18.docx

Hey Dean - making sure you saw this, Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

From: Jennings, Kim

Sent: Friday, April 13, 2018 4:02 PM

To: Breen, Barry <Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara <Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia

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Cc: Indermark, Michele <Indermark.Michele@epa.gov>; Swenson, Erik <Swenson.Erik@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: EPCRA

Hi all,

As agreed at our meeting on Tuesday, attached are two revised Qs and As: one on the FARM Act and the other on Routine Agriculture Operations. We will discuss these at our meeting on Monday.

Thanks,

Kim

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----Original Appointment----

From: Breen, Barry

Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2018 3:02 PM

**To:** Breen, Barry; Jennings, Kim; Hostage, Barbara; Gioffre, Patricia; Cogliano, Gerain; Cheatham, Reggie; Brooks, Becky; Fotouhi, David; Jacob, Sicy; Franklin, Kathy; Michaud, John; ODea, Elise; Lewis, Jen; Cooperstein, Sharon; Clark, Becki; Principe, Vanessa; Simon, Nigel; Bennett, Tate; Bowman, Liz; Subramanian, Hema; Grantham, Nancy; Benjamin, Kent;

Taylor, Trish; Cook, Steven

Cc: Indermark, Michele; Swenson, Erik

Subject: EPCRA

When: Wednesday, April 11, 2018 10:00 AM-10:45 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: 3146 epaw Conference Number / Ex. 6

Poc: Becky Brooks 202-566-2235 Sch: Teresa Hill 202-566-0184

From: Miles, James [miles.james@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 1/30/2018 9:52:24 PM

To: Ziegel, Dean [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: CERCLA/EPCRA Potential NAA

Looks good, made a few edits below, can you send to the group now?

From: Ziegel, Dean

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2018 4:38 PM **To:** Miles, James <miles.james@epa.gov> **Subject:** CERCLA/EPCRA Potential NAA

James, not exactly sure what Greg wanted for the group but I wanted to get you a draft before I left for the evening. Let me know if you think this is what he's looking for---

Notes from conference call with Kim Jennings and Patty Gioffre from OLEM (Greg, Diana, James and Dean):

The DC Circuit is considering the Agency's motion to extend the mandate by 3 months to give us time to develop guidance for farms.

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In looking for any public statements on upcoming/proposed rulemaking to support a potential NAA:

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**Sent**: 1/29/2018 8:04:41 PM

To: Dean Ziegel [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

If correct, can you clarify that for EPCRA the stated intention is a rule on the exemption, and that Greg's statement is correct as it relates to CERCLA?

From: Sullivan, Greg

**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 3:03 PM **To:** Fogarty, Johnpc < Fogarty. Johnpc@epa.gov>

Cc: Miles, James <miles.james@epa.gov>; Saenz, Diana <Saenz.Diana@epa.gov>; Ziegel, Dean <Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

John – early returns are that the agency has not stated an intent to revise rules. Waiting on Kim to confirm.

From: Miles, James

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 2:40 PM

To: Sullivan, Greg <<u>Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov</u>>; Saenz, Diana <<u>Saenz.Diana@epa.gov</u>>

Cc: Ziegel, Dean < Ziegel. Dean@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

From: Ziegel, Dean

**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 2:34 PM **To:** Miles, James <a href="mailes.james@epa.gov">miles.james@epa.gov</a>

Subject: FW: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

See below.

From: Gioffre, Patricia

**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2018 2:33 PM **To:** Ziegel, Dean < Ziegel, Dean@epa.gov>

Cc: Jennings, Kim <a href="mailto:Jennings.Kim@epa.gov">Jennings, Kim@epa.gov</a>> Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov

Subject: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

The only public statement that I am certain of is the EPCRA interpretation of "used in routine ag operations."

We have had questions on whether EPA can revise the RQ for ammonia and H2S but no definitive statements that we would undertake a regulation on this (to my knowledge).

I know we have not made any public statements on the other two rules cited below.

The good cause rule from the matrix is to provide alternative options to a phone call (email, snail mail, texts) for contacting the NRC to provide an initial continuous release notification. That could potentially be combined with a rule to further revise continuous release reporting to EPA by eliminating lat/long and address information from written reports to EPA (in order to address privacy concerns).

Copying Kim and Gerain to confirm that there is nothing in the reg. agenda.

Patty Gioffre US EPA/OLEM/OEM 202-564-1972 202-748-7139 (cell)

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From: Ziegel, Dean

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 2:22 PM

To: Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre, Patricia@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: CERCLA EPCRA Update-Website Revisions

Hi Patty,

Just got out of a meeting with my management and a question came up Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

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Thanks so much for your input.

Dean

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 1:53 PM

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Subject: CERCLA EPCRA Update-Website Revisions

All-Providing an update on CERCLA/EPCRA outreach activities. Please feel free to share this information.

### Website revisions

Today EPA updated the CERCLA/EPCRA website <a href="www.epa.gov/animlwaste">www.epa.gov/animlwaste</a> to include new Q&As and to reorganize the information to make it easier to follow.

New questions:

- Why do I need to report?
- Why can't EPA tell me how many animals require reporting?
- How will EPA protect my personal information?

We will continue to update the website with additional questions as responses are developed.

We have also reorganized the site to group FAQ's into categories.

- Updates
- Overview
- Reporting Exemption and Resulting Litigation
- Purpose
- Frequent Questions
  - Reporting Requirements
    - EPCRA Reporting Requirements
    - General CERCLA Requirements
    - Previous Reporting
    - Other Circumstances
  - How to Report
  - o Emissions
- Resources

### **Court Mandate**

As of this time, the DC Circuit Court of Appeals has not yet issued the mandate to eliminate the EPA administrative reporting exemption on the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements for farms. The court has not yet responded to the EPA's request to further delay the mandate. Once the court makes a decisions, we will send out an update. Once the court issues the mandate the statutory reporting requirements will go back into effect.

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Subject: FW: Drafts of No Action Assurance letter and request from OLEM

Attachments: naa-practiceguidedraft.pdf; NAA letter EPCRA 02-6-18.docx; NAA request MEMORANDUM.docx

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Subject: Drafts of No Action Assurance letter and request from OLEM

John, et al.,

Attached are drafts of the NAA and OLEM request memo regarding EPCRA/[CERLCA] farm release reporting relief. Please let me know if we're on the right track....

Thanks, Dean

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### **BOOM**

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We chatted. Thanks!

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We covered it, might have been a number issue. Dean has the scoop if you can reach out to him.

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**Subject:** RE: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

I just dialed in for the WCED General – I assume that we have not reached this topic on the agenda yet (and that this item is still on the agenda).

Thanks -

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Subject: RE: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

Notes from yesterday's conference call with Kim Jennings and Patty Gioffre from OLEM (Greg, Diana, James and Dean on the line from WCED):

The DC Circuit is considering the Agency's motion to extend the mandate by 3 months to give us time to develop guidance for farms. If the court grants the motion, OLEM will be expediting the development of various rules relating to farm release reporting under CERCLA/EPCRA. If the court denies the motion the reporting mandate is effective and farms will need to report (most certainly using the CERCLA Continuous Release (CR) Reporting form/mechanism?).

In looking for any public statements on upcoming/proposed rulemaking to support a potential NAA:

A clear statement has been made by OLEM regarding EPCRA rulemaking likely to exempt farms in <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms">https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms</a>. "EPA intends to conduct a rulemaking to clarify its interpretation of "used in routine agricultural operations" as it pertains to EPCRA reporting requirements."

OLEM is working on rules related to streamlining the CERCLA CR reporting form, modifying the written CR follow-up requirements (removing location information to address farmer's privacy concerns), and adjusting Reportable Quantities for Ammonia and Hydrogen Sulfide (the two primary hazardous substances released at farms).

Farmers have raised concerns about the accuracy of the emissions contained within their CR reports. Although we have rarely, if ever, taken action on "data quality" in this regard, OLEM has made statements in <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epera/cercla-and-epera-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms">https://www.epa.gov/epera/cercla-and-epera-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms</a> where the Agency has provided great latitude to farms to develop its estimates of emissions:

To help you comply with the reporting requirements, EPA has made resources available that may be helpful in estimating emissions of ammonia and/or hydrogen sulfide. You may also use other models for estimating emissions or you may estimate quantities of releases by relying on:

- ·Past release data;
- ·Engineering estimates;
- ·Your knowledge of the facility's operations and release history; or
- ·Your best professional judgment.

Facility owners and operators are required to report an estimate only - monitoring data is not required. Additionally, farmers are not required to reduce emissions. Farmers should keep a copy of the calculation for future reference.

Finally, the Office of Air and Radiation has been on the hook to develop pertinent Emission Standards for many years. According to OLEM, OAR will identify this activity on this summer's schedule by early summer.

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Subject: RE: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

What's missing is what those would be – presumably our bridging NAA would have to specify some type of action/behavior that a regulated entity, that we would say if they do it, we will hold our enforcement hand. If we're the ones specifying those, then we are assuming the program office's regulatory function to specify the applicable standards.

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Subject: RE: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

I'm going to propose this - would it be enough?

Q: What is the Agency's long-term plan for reporting released of hazardous substances from animal waste to the air?

A: The Agency is developing a set of rule proposals to clarify the threshold quantities, exemptions and processes for CERCLA and EPCRA reporting.

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Subject: RE: CERCLA EPCRA Rulemaking-Public statements

OK. Wouldn't need to be much – could even do it as a FAQ on the website.

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John – early returns are that the agency has not stated an intent to revise rules. Waiting on Kim to confirm.

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See below.

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The only public statement that I am certain of is the EPCRA interpretation of "used in routine ag operations."

We have had questions on whether EPA can revise the RQ for ammonia and H2S but no definitive statements that we would undertake a regulation on this (to my knowledge).

I know we have not made any public statements on the other two rules cited below.

The good cause rule from the matrix is to provide alternative options to a phone call (email, snail mail, texts) for contacting the NRC to provide an initial continuous release notification. That could potentially be combined with a rule to further revise continuous release reporting to EPA by eliminating lat/long and address information from written reports to EPA (in order to address privacy concerns).

Copying Kim and Gerain to confirm that there is nothing in the reg. agenda.

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Subject: RE: CERCLA EPCRA Update-Website Revisions

Hi Patty,

Just got out of a meeting with my management and a question came up re-Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

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Thanks so much for your input.

Dean

From: Gioffre, Patricia Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 1:53 PM To: Haas, Craig < Haas. Craig@epa.gov>; Brown, Deborah < Brown. Deborah@epa.gov>; Chin, William <chin.bill@epa.gov>; Gaffey, Jim <Gaffey.Jim@epa.gov>; O'Donnell, Mary Jane <Odonnell.Maryjane@epa.gov>; Peavey, Dwight <Peavey.Dwight@epa.gov>; Rascher, Chris <rascher.chris@epa.gov>; Smith, Catherine <smith.catherine@epa.gov>; Wallace, Leonard <Wallace.Len@epa.gov>; Gallagher, Shirin <Gallagher.Shirin@epa.gov>; Garcia, Terry <Garcia. Terry@epa.gov>; Hales, Bob <Hales.Bob@epa.gov>; Hartman, Bob <Hartman.Bob@epa.gov>; Leefers, Kristin < Leefers. Kristin@epa.gov >; LeGreid, Kathleen < LeGreid. Kathleen@epa.gov >; Magdangal, David <magdangal.david@epa.gov>; Mairs, Stephanie <Mairs.Stephanie@epa.gov>; McFadden, Kelly <McFadden.Kelly@epa.gov>; Meinhardt, Danielle <meinhardt.danielle@epa.gov>; Morales, Javier <Morales.Javier@epa.gov>; Phillips, Peter <Phillips.Peter@epa.gov>; Schulze, Chad <Schulze.Chad@epa.gov>; Vergeront, Julie < Vergeront. Julie@epa.gov>; Williams, Erin < Williams, Erin@epa.gov>; Banner, Ellen <Banner.Ellen@epa.gov>; Dholakia, Umesh <Dholakia.Umesh@epa.gov>; Ghaffari, Mozafar <Ghaffari.Mozafar@epa.gov>; Harrington, Dwayne <Harrington.Dwayne@epa.gov>; Leung, Chao <Leung.Chao@epa.gov>; Maimone, Francesco <Maimone.Francesco@epa.gov>; Mosher, Eric <Mosher.Eric@epa.gov>; Ouedraogo, Idrissa <ouedraogo.idrissa@epa.gov>; Petty, Joel petty.joel@epa.gov>; Regna, Jean <Regna.Jean@epa.gov>; Rivera, Carlos <Rivera.Carlos@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Nancy <Rodriguez.Nancy@epa.gov>; Armstrong, Joan <armstrong.Joan@epa.gov>; Baginski, Alfred <Baginski.Alfred@epa.gov>; Beckley, Patrick <Beckley.Patrick@epa.gov>; Daniel, Kevin <Daniel.Kevin@epa.gov>; Dunn, Michael <dunn.michael@epa.gov>; Gallagher, Theresa <gallagher.theresa@epa.gov>; Garcia, Jefferie <Garcia.Jefferie@epa.gov>; Gardner, Allison <Gardner.Allison@epa.gov>; Gilley, Anne <Gilley.anne@epa.gov>; Hunt, Mary <Hunt.Mary@epa.gov>; Nilsen, Ashley <Nilsen.Ashley@epa.gov>; pandya, perry <pandya.perry@epa.gov>; Parent, Suzanne <Parent.Suzanne@epa.gov>; VanOrden, James < VanOrden, James@epa.gov>; Weiss, Cynthia < Weiss, Cynthia@epa.gov>; Welsh, Mike <Welsh.Mike@epa.gov>; Ziegler, Lauren <Ziegler.Lauren@epa.gov>; Bookman, Robert <Bookman.Robert@epa.gov>; Caplan, Robert W. <a href="mailto:Caplan.Robert@epa.gov">Caplan, Robert@epa.gov</a>; Chow, Eddie <a href="mailto:Chow.Eddie@epa.gov">Chow, Eddie@epa.gov</a>; Cobb, Brandon <cobb.brandon@epa.gov>; Crum, Lynda <Crum.Lynda@epa.gov>; Devkota, Om <devkota.om@epa.gov>; Fite, Mark <Fite.Mark@epa.gov>; Grant, Deanne <Grant.Deanne@epa.gov>; Groendyke, Todd <Groendyke.Todd@epa.gov>; Juan, Rodolfo < Juan. Rodolfo@epa.gov>; Kono, Michiko < Kono. Michiko@epa.gov>; Noles, Jordan < Noles. Jordan@epa.gov>; Nowell, Valerie <Nowell. Valerie@epa.gov>; Poole, Vinson <Poole. Vinson@epa.gov>; Rouch, Ellen <Rouch.Ellen@epa.gov>; Russo, Todd <Russo.Todd@epa.gov>; Spagg, Beverly <Spagg.Beverly@epa.gov>; Toney, Anthony <Toney. Anthony@epa.gov>; Warrilow, Phyllis <Warrilow. Phyllis@epa.gov>; Weeks, Victor <weeks.victor@epa.gov>; White, Erika <White.Erika@epa.gov>; Bezerra, Joana <bezerra.joana@epa.gov>; Chomycia, Greg <chomycia.greg@epa.gov>; Chrzaszcz, Monika <chrzaszcz.monika@epa.gov>; Entzminger, James <entzminger.james@epa.gov>; Hans, Mick <hans.mick@epa.gov>; Jager, Ginger <jager.ginger@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Steven <kaiser.steven@epa.gov>; Mayhugh, Robert <mayhugh.robert@epa.gov>; Moore, Cecilia <moore.cecilia@epa.gov>; Palomo, Silvia <palomo.silvia@epa.gov>; Riley, Ellen <riley.ellen@epa.gov>; Smith, Robert H <smith.roberth@epa.gov>; Stillman, Sarah < Stillman.Sarah@epa.gov>; Wagner, William < wagner.william@epa.gov>; Barra, Michael <br/><barra.michael@epa.gov>; Clay, Jeffrey <clay.jeffrey@epa.gov>; Ford, Debbie <Ford.Debbie@epa.gov>; Foster, Althea <Foster.Althea@epa.gov>; Hodges, Angela <Hodges.Angela@epa.gov>; Howard, AshleyA <Howard.AshleyA@epa.gov>; Mason, Steve <mason.steve@epa.gov>; Moore, Nathaniel <Moore.Nathaniel@epa.gov>; Murdock, James <Murdock,James@epa.gov>; Pearson, Evan <Pearson,Evan@epa.gov>; Phelps, Sherronda <Phelps.Sherronda@epa.gov>; Robledo, Tony <Robledo.Tony@epa.gov>; Rogers, Elizabeth <rogers.elizabeth@epa.goy>; Smalley, Bryant <smalley.bryant@epa.gov>; Smith, Monica <smith.monica@epa.gov>;

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Subject: CERCLA EPCRA Update-Website Revisions

All-Providing an update on CERCLA/EPCRA outreach activities. Please feel free to share this information.

### Website revisions

Today EPA updated the CERCLA/EPCRA website <a href="www.epa.gov/animlwaste">www.epa.gov/animlwaste</a> to include new Q&As and to reorganize the information to make it easier to follow.

New questions:

- Why do I need to report?
- Why can't EPA tell me how many animals require reporting?
- How will EPA protect my personal information?

We will continue to update the website with additional questions as responses are developed.

We have also reorganized the site to group FAQ's into categories.

- Updates
- Overview
- Reporting Exemption and Resulting Litigation
- Purpose
- Frequent Questions
  - o Reporting Requirements
    - EPCRA Reporting Requirements
    - General CERCLA Requirements
    - Previous Reporting
    - Other Circumstances
  - How to Report
  - o Emissions
- Resources

### **Court Mandate**

As of this time, the DC Circuit Court of Appeals has not yet issued the mandate to eliminate the EPA administrative reporting exemption on the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements for farms. The court has not yet responded to the EPA's request to further delay the mandate. Once the court makes a decisions, we will send out an update. Once the court issues the mandate the statutory reporting requirements will go back into effect.

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Subject: FW: OMB/Interagency Comments on Q&As for CERCLA and EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Releases of

Hazardous Substances from Animal Waste at Farms (RIN 2050-ZA14)

Attachments: EO 12866 Interagency Review Comments EPCRA Q and A - routine agricultural operations.docx; ATT00001.htm; EO

12866 Interagency Review Comments EPCRA Q and A - Farm Act.docx; ATT00002.htm

You covering this call?

From: Sullivan, Greg

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 2:00 PM **To:** Miles, James <miles.james@epa.gov> **Cc:** Saenz, Diana <Saenz.Diana@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: OMB/Interagency Comments on Q&As for CERCLA and EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Releases of

Hazardous Substances from Animal Waste at Farms (RIN 2050-ZA14)

FYI. It looked like dean was on the distribution.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: "Cogliano, Gerain" < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov>

Date: April 24, 2018 at 6:41:16 AM MDT

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Attached are the interagency reviewers (minus DOJ's) comments on the two guidance documents. We will hear DOJ's concerns today at 2:30.

BTW, for the following interagency comments, which I had discussed with OMB last week:

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**Sent**: 9/25/2017 2:45:52 PM

To: Ziegel, Dean [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

Yeah, Larry and maybe Susan B/Patrick.

OCE Weekly w/AA/DAA/PDAA, Conference Number / Ex. 6

When: Mon 9/25/2017 11:00a - 12:00p

Where: 3216WJC-South

From: Ziegel, Dean

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 10:42:49 AM

To: Miles, James

Subject: RE: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

I'm working from my AWS, but I'll dial in. This is the Larry meeting, right?

From: Miles, James

**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2017 10:41 AM **To:** Ziegel, Dean < Ziegel. Dean@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

Can you attend or call in?

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 25, 2017, at 10:38 AM, Ziegel, Dean < Ziegel. Dean@epa.gov> wrote:

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From: Miles, James

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 10:14 AM

To: Sullivan, Greg <Sullivan.Greg@epa.gov>; Saenz, Diana <Saenz.Diana@epa.gov>; Ziegel, Dean

Subject: Fw: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

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This might come up at the 11am meeting.

A Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 2017 OIG Report prompted some additional discussion with the senior management - <a href="https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-09/documents/">https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-09/documents/</a> epaoig 20170919-17-p-0396.pdf

See footnote 12 on point: In a 2008 rule, the EPA exempted from CERCLA Section 103 reporting requirements all releases of hazardous substances to the air from animal waste at AFOs. The rule also exempted such releases from EPCRA Section 304 reporting requirements, except when AFOs confine a number of animals at or above the large CAFO threshold, as defined under Clean Water Act regulations. However, on April 11, 2017, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled in favor of a group of environmental organizations that challenged the exemption and ordered that the 2008 rule be vacated (Waterkeeper Alliance et al. v. EPA). On July 17, 2017, the EPA filed a motion requesting the Court grant a stay of the ruling for six months to allow the EPA time to develop guidance for farms on reporting requirements. On August 16, 2017, the Court ordered a stay of the ruling through November 14, 2017. The EPA has 75 days from August 16, 2017, to request an extension of the stay if needed.

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From: Jennings, Kim

Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 7:09 AM

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Subject: IMPORTANT follow-up to the EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

### How about:

Hi all-I am sure you are eager to get more information on how EPA is addressing the court's vacatur of the final rule that exempted farms from reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste.

- ? On April 11, 2017, the DC Circuit Court vacated this final rule.
- ? In response to a request from EPA, the DC Circuit Court extended the date by which farms must begin reporting these releases to November 15, 2017.
- ? To assist farmers in meeting CERCLA and EPCRA reporting requirements, EPA Senior Leadership in OLEM, OGC, and OECA are working on guidance to assist farms in reporting their air releases under CERCLA and EPCRA. EPA is working to have this guidance available to farmers with enough time to review the guidance and comply with the reporting requirements.

I believe that Patty Gioffre and Sicy Jacob provided a brief update during the last EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call.

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Thanks and let me know if you have any questions. Kim

Kim Jennings

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----Original Appointment----

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Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 7:56 AM

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Subject: EPCRA/CERCLA/112(r) enforcement call

When: Thursday, September 07, 2017 2:30 PM-4:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Conference Number / Ex. 6

Agenda (pretty short this month unless there are last-minute additions):

- Any cases against wastewater treatment plants or water treatment plants regarding: types of 112r/CERCLA violations, penalty sizes, any SEPS, IR examples, and size of violator term? – Don Nixon, R9
- Failure to notify company argues that the penalty policy uses the language "after the person in charge" had knowledge that an RQ was released they are trying to use the time that the staff told the plant manager, after calculations, etc. as the trigger for notification, when it appears from information they submitted to us that that it was known hours earlier that they had a release that was over the 10 pound RQ. Jean Regna, R2
- Region 5 sends the attached letter to farmers after we gather information that the farmer had a
  release greater than the RQ and should have made the notifications under CERCLA and
  EPCRA. Region 5 would like to know if other regions use a similar letter to farmers as
  compliance assistance.
- Other

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Subject: RE: CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting

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Great, thank you.
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Subject: Re: CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting
Hi Hema
I will need to call in as I am at a workshop in Sacramento
Sent from my iPhone
> On Nov 15, 2017, at 7:36 AM, Subramanian, Hema <Subramanian.Hema@epa.gov> wrote:
> Hi all,
> Already scheduled, so won't be able to make this one. If possible, please try to attend.
  Kay: hoping you can make it, as well.
>
> Becky: if you can make it, can you type up a few bullets afterwards summarizing the discussion and post
to the Ag SP Portal? If not...Sonam--can you provide back-up?
>
  Thanks!
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>
 Apologies for the last minute invite, but we realize many of you have been fielding questions about
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CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements for animal waste air releases, which are expected to go into effect

tomorrow (11/15), and wanted to convene an opportunity for Ag Advisors to hear from OEM about the latest updates (which include the recent addition of an email option for reporting).

- > If you can't make it onto the call tomorrow, please see the email below for additional information and the internal contacts to whom you can reach out with any questions. Updated info is also available publicly at:
- > https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substancesanimal-waste-farms

> EPA Colleagues,

- > Several issues have arisen related to farmer owners/operators making their initial continuous release notification of emissions from animal waste to the National Response Center (NRC) . First, the NRC is experiencing a large volume of calls, which have the potential to overwhelm their capacity. automated system the NRC uses to ensure release notifications get to the appropriate Federal, State, and local response officials, has resulted in some State and local officials calling the farm owners/operators to get more information about the release they reported and what response is needed. In order to resolve these issues, EPA has been working with NRC program officials and made the following changes:
- The NRC has established an e-mail notification system so farm owners/operators can email their continuous release reports to the NRC, as an alternative to calling the NRC. Farmers who have multiple farms can list the name and location of all farms, as well as the associated name(s) of hazardous substance(s) released, in one e-mail. Please encourage farmers to use this e-mail option to provide the National Response Center (NRC) with their initial continuous release notification. The NRC e-mail address is: NRC-CERCLA-EPCRA-REPORT@uscg.mil<mailto:NRC-CERCLA-EPCRA-REPORT@uscg.mil>. Alternatively, the NRC phone number for these notifications is: 1-800-424-8802.
- > \* Once the email is received by the NRC e-mail notification system, it will generate an automatic response e-mail with a generic identification number (CR-ERNS) for the farm (note: this number will be the same for all farm owners/operators who provide their initial notification to the NRC via email). farm owner/operator will place that CR-ERNS number on the follow-up written notification report that is required to be submitted to the EPA Regional Office within 30 days. Therefore, on or around December 15, 2017, all EPA Regional offices will be receiving a large number of written continuous release reports from farm owners/operators.
- > Regarding the factsheet or "cheat sheet" that was developed to provide compliance assistance to farmers who may soon need to report air release from animal waste under the CERCLA section 103. EPA is working on revising that document to include the above information and will get that out to you as soon as possible.
- > If you need assistance in addressing questions from farmers or trade associations that are beyond the scope of EPA's online guidance<a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-">https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-</a> releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms>, here is the contact information for three subject matter experts in EPA's Office of Emergency Management:
- > Patty Gioffre, Tel. 202-564-1972
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All-Providing an update on CERCLA/EPCRA outreach activities. Please feel free to share this information.

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### Website revisions

Today EPA updated the CERCLA/EPCRA website <a href="www.epa.gov/animlwaste">www.epa.gov/animlwaste</a> to include new Q&As and to reorganize the information to make it easier to follow.

New questions:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Why do I need to report?
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Why can't EPA tell me how many animals require reporting?
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->How will EPA protect my personal information?

We will continue to update the website with additional questions as responses are developed.

We have also reorganized the site to group FAQ's into categories.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Updates
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### **Court Mandate**

As of this time, the DC Circuit Court of Appeals has not yet issued the mandate to eliminate the EPA administrative reporting exemption on the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements for farms. The court has not yet responded to the EPA's request to further delay the mandate. Once the court makes a

decisions, we will send out an update. Once the court issues the mandate the statutory reporting requirements will go back into effect.

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**Subject: CERCLA EPCRA Update-Website Revisions** 

All-Providing an update on CERCLA/EPCRA outreach activities. Please feel free to share this information.

### Website revisions

Today EPA updated the CERCLA/EPCRA website <u>www.epa.gov/animlwaste</u> to include new Q&As and to reorganize the information to make it easier to follow.

New auestions:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Why do I need to report?
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Why can't EPA tell me how many animals require reporting?
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->How will EPA protect my personal information?

We will continue to update the website with additional questions as responses are developed.

We have also reorganized the site to group FAQ's into categories.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Updates
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Overview
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Reporting Exemption and Resulting Litigation
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Purpose
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Frequent Questions
  - o <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Reporting Requirements
    - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->EPCRA Reporting Requirements
    - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->General CERCLA Requirements
    - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Previous Reporting
    - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Other Circumstances
  - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->How to Report
  - o <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Emissions
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Resources

### **Court Mandate**

As of this time, the DC Circuit Court of Appeals has not yet issued the mandate to eliminate the EPA administrative reporting exemption on the CERCLA/EPCRA reporting requirements for farms. The court has not yet responded to the EPA's request to further delay the mandate. Once the court makes a decisions, we will send out an update. Once the court issues the mandate the statutory reporting requirements will go back into effect.

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CC: Meer, Daniel [Meer.Daniel@epa.gov]

Subject: EPCRA/CERCLA AG rule

Hi all

Below is the an excerpt from the most recent email from Kim Jennings at OLEM /OEM on the EPCRA/CERCLA AG rule

On April 11, 2017, the Court struck down the EPCRA/CERCLA final rule, eliminating the reporting exemptions for farms. Unless the DC Circuit Court takes further action, the court's ruling takes effect on **November 15, 2017**. Several weeks ago, EPA provided guidance materials to help farmers understand their reporting obligations and, that guidance for farm owners/operators on our website at:

https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms. The website includes FAQs on CERCLA and EPCRA reporting and instructions on how to submit continuous release reports. As a result, farmers are now calling the NRC to make an initial continuous release notification.

Several issues have arisen related to farmer owners/operators making their initial continuous release notification to the National Response Center (NRC). First, the NRC is experiencing a large volume of calls, which have the potential to overwhelm their capacity. Second, the automated system the NRC uses to ensure release notifications get to the appropriate Federal, State, and local response officials, has resulted in some State and local officials calling the farm owners/operators to get more information about the release they reported and what response is needed. In order to resolve these issues, EPA has been working with the NRC program officials and made the following changes:

- The NRC has established an e-mail notification system so farm owners/operators can email their continuous release reports to the NRC, as an alternative to calling the NRC. Farmers who have multiple farms can list the name and location of all farms, as well as the associated name(s) of hazardous substance(s) released, in one e-mail. Please encourage farmers to use this e-mail option to provide the National Response Center (NRC) with their initial continuous release notification. The NRC e-mail address is: <a href="https://www.nRC-center.ncm.nrc.">NRC-CERCLA-EPCRA-REPORT@uscg.mil</a>. Alternatively, the NRC phone number for these notifications is: <a href="https://www.nrc.ncm.nrc.">1-800-424-8802</a>.
- Once the email is received by the NRC e-mail notification system, it will generate an automatic response e-mail with a generic identification number (CR-ERNS) for the farm (note: this number will be the same for all farm owners/operators who provide their initial notification to the NRC via email). The farm owner/operator will place that CR-ERNS number on the follow-up written notification report that is required to be submitted to the EPA Regional Office within 30 days. Therefore, on or around <a href="December 15">December 15</a>, 2017, all EPA Regional offices will be receiving a large number of written continuous release reports from farm owners/operators.

Regarding the factsheet or "cheat sheet" that was developed to provide compliance assistance to farmers who may soon need to report air release from animal waste under the CERCLA section 103, EPA is working on revising that document to include the above information and will get that out to you as soon as we can.

Thanks, Kim

Kim Jennings

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**CC**: Galloway, Carol [Galloway.Carol@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: EPA factsheets on CERCLA-EPCRA reporting for animal waste

Hello Hema,

Did your message below include those on the email list for the weekly calls? If not, do you want me to send it to them?

Thanks!

Ginah Mortensen 913-551-5028

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Subject: FW: EPA factsheets on CERCLA-EPCRA reporting for animal waste

Dear Animal Ag Discussion Group participants:

FYI, please see the announcement below from EPA's Office of Emergency Management regarding a new factsheet for outreach on CERCLA-EPCRA reporting for animal waste.

Thank you, ---Hema.

Hema Subramanian
Special Assistant to the Senior Advisor for Agriculture (detail)
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Due to a recent court decision, farms (including ranches, livestock operations and/or animal operations) will soon be required to report hazardous substance air releases from animal waste under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) when they release hazardous substances from animal waste in amounts greater than/equal to their reportable quantity within a 24-hour period. The purpose of these fact sheets and FAQs is to provide an overview and basic information for those who are impacted by this new requirement.

If you have any questions, please contact the Environmental Protection Agency via the information provided below:

- Visit <u>www.epa.gov/animalwaste</u> for guidance and access to the continuous release reporting forms (including new factsheet)
- Email comments or suggestions on guidance materials to: CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov
- Regional Contacts: www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erns-regional-contacts
- Call with questions: 1-800-424-9346

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Subject: RE: PARMS weekly

Attachments: Barrys Weekly 4-19-2018 PARMS sci.docx

Hi Bill,

Science team updates are attached.

Personal Matters / Ex. 6

From: Noggle, William

-Hannah

Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2018 10:42 AM

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Subject: PARMS weekly

PARMS -

Please send me your updates to the PARMS weekly by 2pm today.

Thanks,

Bill

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## For the Weeks of April 23 – May 4, 2018

## <u>Items Requiring AA Signature/Approval/Concurrence</u>

### DSW Vacaturs

The rule is ready for either Administrator signature or OMB review shortly. Significance briefing with OMB was held on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Waiting for OMB to determine if they will waive review. (*Bill Noggle*)

### PNDD Guidance

The FR notice opening the comment period was signed by ORCR OD. Package will be sent to OP on April 19<sup>th</sup> for FR publication. (*Bill Noggle*)

### Informational/No Action Required

Guidance on Reporting of Releases of Animal Wastes from Farms: Given the FARM Act, OLEM is revising a guidance interpreting EPCRA's reporting requirements of releases of animal wastes from farms. Striving to post on the web before May 1st. (Gerain Cogliano, Barbara Hostage)

### RMP Reconsideration NPRM

Expecting to send responses to OMB/Interagency reviewers' comments by April 16<sup>th</sup>. An EO 12866 Listening Session is scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup> with ACC. (Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

### Hazardous Substances Spill Prevention NPRM

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### Updates to SW-846 Methods 8260 and 8270

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## Toxicology and Risk Assessment Conference (TRAC)

On April 24-25<sup>th</sup>, Kathleen Raffaele will present a talk, "PFAS Human Health Risk Assessment: Current Trends and Challenges," at The Toxicology and Risk Assessment Conference in Cincinnati, OH. The talk is part of a full day session on issues regarding PFAS. (*Kathleen Raffaele*)

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The President's Task Force for Children's Environmental Health Risks is working to complete a draft Lead Strategy by April 30<sup>th</sup>. PARMS will be coordinating the development of content and review by OLEM. (*Stiven Foster*)

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OMB waived review of the rule. The action memo is ready for Barry's signature. (Bill Noggle)

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The workgroup closure package was distributed on April 18<sup>th</sup> for a 3- week review. The workgroup closure rollcall meeting will occur on May 9<sup>th</sup> and a kick-off call on April 24<sup>th</sup>. (Richard Mattick)

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### NCEE ANPRM on Standardizing Cost Considerations

OA's National Center for Environmental Economics (NCEE) is leading an effort to "Increase Consistency and Transparency in Considering Costs and Benefits in the Rulemaking Process." NCEE is considering developing implementing regulations on consideration of costs during the development of regulatory actions. On April 11<sup>th</sup>, NCEE submitted an ANPRM to OMB for review. OMB review is expected to conclude by May 3<sup>rd</sup>. OLEM is tracking this effort. (David Nicholas, Bill Noggle)

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CC: Adams, Darryl [Adams.Darryl@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: new? item for Tracker

Importance: High

Bill Nickerson is reaching out today to OMB re review of the Q&As associated with CERCLA/EPCRA reporting of animal wastes. If OMB wants to review (highly likely), we will need to send immediately. If not, I'm told OP will want to keep a record of this in ADP Tracker anyways. So we really need to split 5484.1 to 5484.3 (5484.2 already exists and is for a related rule to 5484). The new 5484.3 is really an off-shoot of 5484.1.

### 5484.3---

Title: Q&As for CERCLA and EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Releases of Hazardous Substances from Animal Waste at Farms

Abstract: EPA is developing Q&As to assist farmers with reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal wastes under Section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) and under Section 103 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). These Q&As will clarify reporting requirements.

Stage: Final Action Timing:

To OP for OMB Review: 4/17/18

To OMB: 4/17/18

OMB Concludes Review: 4/23

Posting: 4/24

From: Cogliano, Gerain

Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2018 3:17 PM

To: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>
Cc: Adams, Darryl < Adams. Darryl@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: new? item for Tracker

Any ideas of how to proceed?

From: Cogliano, Gerain

Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 10:05 AM

**To:** Jutras, Nathaniel < <u>Jutras.Nathaniel@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Adams, Darryl < Adams.Darryl@epa.gov>

Subject: new? item for Tracker

The Administrator has directed OLEM to modify/update an existing document on our Animal Wastes website dealing with the interpretation of EPCRA section 304 reporting of animal wastes from farms--basically the interpretation of "used in routine agricultural operations" under EPCRA. OMB will want to review this.

FYI: We will also need to update the Animal Wastes website. OMB reviewed the information on this website last year. OP management has been apprised as to the need for updating the website and the hope that OMB does not review this updating effort. I can't get into ADP Tracker for some reason today but I think the SAN for the website is 5484.1.

If OMB is to review the updates to the website (which this document is a part of that effort), one could argue that all could be done under one ADP Tracker entry (5484.1?) But we need this particular document posted by nlt May 1; we'll have this doc ready for OMB review by 4/17. We won't have the revised website ready by that time.

We need to add the interpretation doc to ADP Tracker, somehow. You'll notice in ADP Tracker we have SAN 5484.2 as a rule on the Interpretation of "Used in Routine Agricultural Operations" under EPCRA. We are keeping that rule as TBD in case we need to do this rule later. So for this updated document, should it be a new split (5484.3)---or part of 5484.2----or part of 5484.1?

The new title of the document is in flux but I think it will be "Does EPCRA Section 302 require farms to report releases from animal waste?"

Gerain

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**Sent**: 4/11/2018 5:22:17 PM

To: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]
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Subject: RE: PARMS weekly

Attachments: Barrys Weekly 4-12-2018 PARMS sci.DOCX

Hi Bill.

Science team updates are in the attachment.

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Subject: PARMS weekly

To all -

Send me your updates to the weekly by 2pm today.

Thanks,

Bill

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### **DSW Vacaturs**

The rule is ready for either Administrator signature or OMB review shortly. Significance briefing with OMB was held on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Waiting for OMB to determine if they will waive review. (*Bill Noggle*)

### PNDD Guidance

The draft guidance cleared OMB review on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The FR notice opening the comment period will be signed by ORCR OD. Barry/Steven clearance is needed on the guidance. (*Bill Noggle*)

### Informational/No Action Required

Interpretation under EPCRA re Reporting of Releases of Animal Wastes from Farms <u>Guidance</u>: Given the FARM Act, OLEM is revising a guidance interpreting EPCRA's reporting requirements of releases of animal wastes from farms. Expecting a revised version for agency review/approval by April 10<sup>th</sup> and to OMB for an expedited review by April 17<sup>th</sup>. Striving to post on the web before May 1<sup>st</sup>. (Gerain Cogliano, Barbara Hostage)

### RMP Reconsideration NPRM

OMB expects to send the first-round of interagency comments on April 4th. A meeting for DOJ to provide their comments is scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup>. EO 12866 Listening Sessions are scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup> (one with Blue Green Alliance, another with AFPM and API) and for April 12<sup>th</sup> (with ACC). (Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

### Hazardous Substances Spill Prevention NPRM

Package is at OMB for interagency. Meeting with DOJ to receive first round comments is scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>. The remaining first round comments are expected by April 13<sup>th</sup>. (Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

### Updates to SW-846 Methods 8260 and 8270

Package was submitted to OMB for interagency review on March 28<sup>th</sup>. (Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

Toxicology and Risk Assessment Conference (TRAC)

On April 24-25, Kathleen Raffaele will attend The Toxicology and Risk Assessment Conference in Cincinnati, OH. The conference will include a full day session on issues regarding PFAS. (Kathleen Raffaele)

### Lead Strategy

The President's Task Force for Children's Environmental Health Risks is working to complete a draft Lead Strategy by April 30. PARMS will be coordinating the development of content and review by OLEM. (Stiven Foster)

PFOA and PFOS Contaminated Groundwater Memorandum

OLEM is working with OW and ORD to develop a memo that addresses PFOA and PFOS contaminated groundwater. PARMS is coordinating the effort within OLEM and with the other Program Offices. (Stiven Foster, Kathleen Raffaele)

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From: Sassman, Hannah [sassman.hannah@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 1/31/2018 4:11:59 PM

**To**: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

CC: Foster, Stiven [Foster.Stiven@epa.gov]; Raffaele, Kathleen [raffaele.kathleen@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: PARMS weekly

Attachments: Barrys Weekly 2-1-2018 PARMS SCI .DOCX

Hi Bill,

Attached is the science team's input. Thanks!

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 8:19 AM

**To:** Hostage, Barbara <Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>; Prins, Christopher <Prins.Christopher@epa.gov>; Mattick, Richard <Mattick.Richard@epa.gov>; Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; Sassman, Hannah <sassman.hannah@epa.gov>; Cogliano, Gerain <Cogliano.Gerain@epa.gov>; Raffaele, Kathleen <raffaele.kathleen@epa.gov>; Yaquian-Luna, Jose <yaquian-luna.josea@epa.gov>

Subject: PARMS weekly

To all -

Please send your updates to the weekly by 12:30 today.

Thanks,

Bill

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### For the Weeks of February 4 - 17, 2018

### <u>Items Requiring AA Signature/Approval/Concurrence</u>

### HRM 108(b) Final Rule

We are waiting on OGC to tell us who will sign (on behalf of OGC) the correction memo for post-signature changes to the final rule. Barry will also need to sign the memo. (Rick Mattick, Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

### Aerosol Cans NPRM

We expect to receive the signature package from ORCR soon and, as such, obtain soon thereafter DAA signature on the action memo. (Richard Mattick, Gerain Cogliano)

### Informational/No Action Required

### NHSM OTRTs Final Rule

Rule was signed by the Administrator on January 26<sup>th</sup>. FR publication is pending. (Richard Mattick/Gerain Cogliano/Bill Noggle)

### CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Reporting

Form: An emergency ICR package, including a new streamlined continuous release reporting form for farmers, is under review at OMB. The public comment period announced by the FR notice closed on December 15<sup>th</sup>. EPA received 11 comments on the ICR and the form. The updated form, instructions, and supporting statement were sent (outside of ROCIS) to OMB on January 17<sup>th</sup>. OMB is reviewing the ICR for clearance.

Rulemaking: Program and OGC are continuing to consider aspects of a legislative rule on the Interpretation of "Used in Routine Agricultural Operations" under EPCRA. (Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

### Coal Combustion Residuals Remand/Reconsideration Proposed Rule

Rule is at OMB for interagency review. OMB sent second-round comments on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Second-round responses are under review by senior management. (Richard Mattick, Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

### PNDD Guidance

The draft guidance is under OMB/interagency review. OMB sent first-round comments on January 18<sup>th</sup>. (Bill Noggle)

### Hazardous Substances Spill Prevention NPRM

On January 31st OLEM briefed OMB on the rule to aid OMB in determining whether the rule is significant or not under EO 12866. The FAR package is expected to be distributed to the workgroup by January 31st, and the FAR meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 21st, (Bill Noggle, Chris Prins)

### RMP Reconsideration NPRM

The workgroup met on Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss the draft rulemaking and schedule. On Jan 24th, OLEM, OGC, OP and OCIR met to discuss possible Federalism EO-related consultation. (*Gerain Cogliano, Chris Prins*)

### Federal Information Exchange on PFAS

On February 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, the Toxics & Risks Subcommittee of the National Science and Technology Council Committee on Environment, Natural Resources, and Sustainability, co-chaired by the DoD, EPA, and NIH, will host a Federal Information Exchange on PFAS (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*)

Children's Environmental Health (CEH) Partner Alliance Coordination Team (PACT) The CEH PACT will have a meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup> to receive updates from participating offices. (Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster)

### Risk Assessment Ontologies Project

On February 8<sup>th</sup>, PARMS Science Team members will attend an introductory meeting for a "Risk Assessment Ontologies Project." The goal of the meeting to explain the project (being led out of OSA), outline the background work that has been done to date, and review plans for the work group moving forward. (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*)

Science and Technology Policy Council- Scientific Support Panel (STPC SSP)
The STPC SSP will meet on February 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss chemicals with mutagenic mode of action determinations and options for maintaining a list of mutagenic chemicals.

(Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster)

### EPA Working Group to coordinate Umbrella Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with NASA

On February 8<sup>th</sup>, the EPA Working Group to coordinate Umbrella MOA with NASA will hold its quarterly meeting. (*Kathleen Raffaele*)

### Asbestos Paper Feedback

Members of the Asbestos Technical Review Workgroup have identified some issues with a recent publication from the Superfund Research Program center at the University of Pennsylvania. PARMS will facilitate a dialogue on February 9<sup>th</sup>. (Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster)

### PCB Assessment Update

On February 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be a meeting to discuss the current activities of the IRIS PCB Assessment Team. (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*)

Sustainable Solutions Partner Alliance Coordination Team (PACT)

There will be a meeting of the Sustainable Solutions PACT on February 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss developing a new Strategic Research Action Plan (StRAP). (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*)

### Operating Properly and Successfully Guidance

PARMS will facilitate a significant guidance determination briefing for OMB on February 15<sup>th</sup> for the G[ HYPERLINK "https://www.epa.gov/fedfac/guidance-evaluation-federal-agency-demonstrations-remedial-actions-are-operating-properly-and"]. (Stiven Foster)

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From: Cybulski, Walter [Cybulski.Walter@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 2/6/2018 6:11:28 PM

To: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: February tiering

Sounds good, Bill. Thanks for the further details. Much appreciated.

- Walter

From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 06, 2018 1:08 PM **To:** Cybulski, Walter < Cybulski. Walter@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: February tiering

Walter,

You're correct. We are just looking to streamline the reporting process, including modifying the forms. If the project shifts and we get into estimating emission methods, I can reach out to you to be on the WG. Sound ok?

Thanks, Bill

From: Cybulski, Walter

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 06, 2018 12:56 PM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: February tiering

Hello, Bill.

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Regards, Walter

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### February 2018 Tiering List

### New Tiering:

### <u>OLEM</u>



No Workgroup Specified

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### For the Weeks of December 17 - 30, 2017

### <u>Items Requiring AA Signature/Approval/Concurrence</u>

### Informational/No Action Required

### eManifest Final Rule

OMB concluded review on December 12<sup>th</sup>. The rule package is with OP for clearance for Administrator signature. (*Bill Noggle*)

### HRM 108(b) Final Rule

Final Rule signed on December 1st. Rule is pending publication. We expect to see edits from the OFR in the next several days. (Rick Mattick, Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

### CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Reporting

Form: An emergency ICR package, including a new streamlined continuous release reporting form for farmers, is under review at OMB. The public comment period announced by the FR notice ends on December 15<sup>th</sup>. OMB will conclude review after the public comment period ends.

Rulemaking: OGC and OLEM (OEM and PARMS) will meet on December 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss possible types and timing of rulemaking for an Interpretation of "Used Routine Agricultural Operations" under EPCRA. (Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

### Import/Export CBI Final Rule

Final rule was signed by the Administrator on December 11<sup>th</sup>. The rule is pending FR publication. (Bill Noggle)

### **NHSM OTRTs Final Rule**

The Rule package is under OMB/interagency review. ORCR is working on a pass back package to address OMB and SBA comments. OMB has requested that the passback be provided by COB December 18th in order to best accommodate their target to conclude review by the end of the calendar year. In addition to comments centering around clarity of the EA; at primary issue was a request to have the rule become effective immediately instead of the proposed 60 days. (Richard Mattick)

### Coal Combustion Residuals Remand/Reconsideration Proposed Rule

Per political direction, OLEM/ORCR is targeting December 19th to transfer the draft rule package to OP for a 30-day OMB review. PARMs will distribute the package to key Intra-Agency stakeholders this week to identify any significant outstanding issues.

### Publication of the proposed rule is targeted for the end of January 2018. (Richard Mattick)

### PNDD Guidance

The draft guidance is under OMB/interagency review. EO 12866 meeting with USWAG occurred on December 13th. (Bill Noggle)

### RMP Revisions NPRM

The rulemaking schedule has been developed and provided to AA's office. The workgroup will meet on Jan 23 to discuss draft rulemaking documents, which will be provided to the workgroup soon. (Gerain Cogliano, Chris Prins)

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### <u>Items Requiring AA Signature/Approval/Concurrence</u>

### Informational/No Action Required

### RMP Reconsideration NPRM

The OMB Review package was submitted to OP on February  $23^{rd}$ . OP sent comments/issues back to OLEM on March  $7^{th}$ . We expect the issues to be addressed shortly, and the package sent to OMB the week of March  $12^{th}$ . (Gerain Cogliano, Chris Prins)

### Aerosol Cans NPRM

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, the rule was signed by the Administrator. (Richard Mattick, Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

### CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Reporting

RQ Modifications (aka RQ Adjustment of Ammonia and Hydrogen Sulfide for Air Releases at Farms): The NPRM package was accepted by OMB on March 6<sup>th</sup> for interagency review. Interagency review is expected to conclude by March 16<sup>th</sup>. (Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

### Coal Combustion Residuals Remand/Reconsideration Proposed Rule

Rule was signed on March 1st. FR publication date is requested for March 19th. (Richard Mattick, Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

### PNDD Guidance

The draft guidance is under OMB/interagency review. Expecting to conclude review by March 16<sup>th</sup>. (Bill Noggle)

### International Coordination

Along with ORCR and other EPA offices and in the capacity as technical lead for Annex IV of EPA's MOU with China MEP, provided feedback to inform a USG position for the WTO in response to China's effective ban on the import of recyclable materials. China's import restrictions are the latest action in a series of measures taken by that country over the last several years that are upending global markets for recyclables and adversely affecting recycling programs at the State and local levels in the U.S.

### Society of Toxicology Meeting

On March 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, Kathleen Raffaele will attend the Society of Toxicology annual meeting in San Antonio, TX. (*Kathleen Raffaele*)

### ORD-OLEM meeting

On March 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a meeting between ORD and OLEM to discuss ORD's upcoming Strategic Research Action Plan (StRAP) refresh. (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*)

### PFAS Coordinating Committee

The monthly PFAS Coordinating Committee meeting is scheduled for March 20<sup>th</sup>; the agenda has not been set yet. (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*)

### **OLEM Science Team**

The OLEM Science Team will hold its quarterly meeting in PY on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The agenda will include updates and information exchange between the OLEM program offices. (*Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster*).

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From: Cogliano, Gerain [Cogliano.Gerain@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 10/20/2017 6:56:53 PM

**To**: Brandon\_F\_DeBruhl@omb.eop.gov

CC: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]; Jutras, Nathaniel [Jutras.Nathaniel@epa.gov]; Cooperstein, Sharon

[Cooperstein.Sharon@epa.gov]

Subject: EO 12866 Review--Revised docs related to CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting Requirements 2050-ZA12

Attachments: EO12866\_CERCLA Ag Reporting\_2050-ZA12\_FinalPolicy\_CERCLA\_revision20171020.docx; EO12866\_EPCRA Ag

Reporting 2050-ZA12 FinalPolicy EPCRA revision20171020.docx

Importance: High

Hi Brandon,

Here are the revised CERCLA and EPCRA documents relating to reporting requirements for farmers (2050-ZA12). Looking forward to hearing from you regarding these.

Thanks.

Gerain Cogliano

OLEM's Regulatory Steering Committee Representative

Policy and Regulatory Management Team Leader Policy Analysis and Regulatory Management Staff (PARMS) Office of Program Management (OPM) Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM)

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From: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 10/26/2017 12:46:46 PM

To: Cooperstein, Sharon [Cooperstein.Sharon@epa.gov]; Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

**Subject**: RE: EPCRA CERCLA Ag Guidance is now available

Thanks for the message-I'm always happy to help. It is great working with you again!

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From: Cooperstein, Sharon

Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 8:24 AM

To: Gioffre, Patricia <Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov>; Noggle, William <Noggle.William@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: EPCRA CERCLA Ag Guidance is now available

HI Patty and Bill,

Congrats on getting this through the interagency process and posted to the web. I really appreciate you helping me get up to speed on this as it went through OMB review.

Thank you!

Sharon

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:30:17 PM

**To:** Swenson, Erik; Lewis, Jen; Salo, Earl; Michaud, John; Jacob, Sicy; Franklin, Kathy; Bosecker, Elizabeth; Principe, Vanessa; Sullivan, Tim; Ziegel, Dean; Beasley, Lynn; Hostage, Barbara; Cogliano, Gerain; Noggle, William; Hull, George; Beaman, Joe; Cooperstein, Sharon; Dunkins, Robin; Costa, Allison; Schrock, Bill

**Cc:** Clark, Becki; Cheatham, Reggie; Jennings, Kim; Brooks, Becky; Taylor, Trish; Breen, Barry; Simon, Nigel; Darwin, Veronica; Davis, Patrick; Janifer, Pamela; Grantham, Nancy; Gerardin, Margaret; Mayer, Eileen; Indermark, Michele; Hilosky, Nick

Subject: EPCRA CERCLA Ag Guidance is now available

I am pleased to announce that the EPCRA/CERCLA ag guidance is live on the EPA website. To view EPA's guidance and Frequently Asked Questions on reporting air emissions from animal waste, see: https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal-waste-farms

Thank you all for your assistance developing this guidance and for your support through the interagency review process. It was a lot of work and we couldn't have done it without your expertise!

Best wishes!

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Patty Gioffre
Acting Deputy Division Director

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From: Hostage, Barbara [Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 10/12/2017 10:56:13 AM

To: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]; Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: Language requesting feedback from stakeholders for CERCLA 103 website

Not sure what Jen is asking.

So, I thought that if OGC revised the EPCRA Q&A so that we could send today, that would go via the OMB route since OMB also wants to review.

I also thought I heard at the end of the call with Patrick Davis yesterday that Jen said that perhaps we would only send them the following language and tell them we are still "constructing the CERCLA 103 web information." Did I misunderstand?

EPA has developed this guidance to assist farms in complying with requirements to report air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste. EPA welcomes comments and suggestions from the regulated community and the public on these resources and other additional resources that should be included here. EPA asks that comments or suggestions be provided within the next 30 days so that EPA can revise this guidance, as necessary, to reflect additional information to assist farm owners and operators to meet reporting obligations.

If we send all the Q & As, it will be difficult not to mention this to OMB, who then will likely want to see them too. And, if they see them, they WILL comment on them despite the fact that we say there is nothing new in them.

Barbara Hostage, Director Policy Analysis and Regulatory Management Staff (PARMS) Office of Program Management (OPM) Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM)

EPA West Room 4130A

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From: Lewis, Jen

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 4:48 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara

<Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Language requesting feedback from stakeholders for CERCLA 103 website

What was the outcome – send the whole thing to DOJ or just the 103 part?

Jen Lewis

Deputy Associate General Counsel Solid Waste and Emergency Response Law Office (202) 564-2097

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 3:25 PM

To: Lewis, Jen < Lewis Jen@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre, Patricia@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara

<Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Language requesting feedback from stakeholders for CERCLA 103 website

Patty, Jen,

I just spoke with Barbara. Please feel free to share the CERCLA language with DOJ directly. No need to inform OMB. If this becomes a problem for OMB, we (PARMS) will discuss with them.

Separately, I don't know if Patrick intends on calling OP to press for clearing interagency review by the end of this week. When discussing at the awards ceremony, his main concern was the CERCLA Q&As getting posted on the web on Monday (to give farmers as much time as possible to prep for reporting). He no longer seemed concerned if the EPCRA Q&A took a bit longer to clear OMB. Although, I think we should still push OMB to clear this week, if we don't think anything will change with an extra week for OMB review.

Finally, Patty, when you send the CERCLA Q&As up to OLEM management for review, please also send directly to Byron.

Thanks, Bill

From: Lewis, Jen

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 1:53 PM

To: Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov>; Principe, Vanessa < Principe. Vanessa@epa.gov>; Hull, George

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<Swenson.Erik@epa.gov>; Michaud, John <Michaud.John@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Language requesting feedback from stakeholders for CERCLA 103 website

Hi – I'd like to clarify that ideally we would run this language by DOJ. This was my attempt to edit what Patty had already drafted to be consistent with a phone call I just had with DOJ – but, I know DOJ would like to see at least this piece if possible.

Jen Lewis
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From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 1:49 PM

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Subject: Language requesting feedback from stakeholders for CERCLA 103 website

Here is language that OGC is requesting that we add to the CERCLA 103 webpage to appear before the questions: EPA has developed this guidance to assist farms in complying with requirements to report air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste. EPA welcomes comments and suggestions from the regulated community and the public on these resources and other additional resources that should be included here. EPA asks that comments or suggestions

be provided within the next 30 days so that EPA can revise this guidance, as necessary, to reflect additional information to assist farm owners and operators to meet reporting obligations.

The purpose is to show intent that we intend to revise the guidance and therefore, request the courts to delay the mandate.

We can discuss at 2:30 pm if anyone has concerns.

Patty Gioffre US EPA/OLEM/OEM 202-564-1972 202-748-7139 (cell)

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From: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 9/28/2017 11:36:28 AM

To: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

You bet.

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From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 6:33 AM **To:** Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

Sounds good. Are you good with the title "Guidance for CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Releases of Hazardous Substances from Animal Waste at Farms?"

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 4:11 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov >; Jacob, Sicy < Jacob. Sicy@epa.gov >

Cc: Jennings, Kim < Jennings. Kim@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

Bill- Let's go with the following for the abstract:

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As for schedule, we are hoping to finalize by 10/16/17.

Finally, George is on detail to OEM now so he will be assisting us with communication efforts on this rule.

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 12:37 PM

To: Jacob, Sicy < Jacob. Sicy@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov>

Cc: Jennings, Kim < Jennings. Kim@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

Sicy, Patty, Kim,

Could you please review the attached tiering form today (you only need to review the abstract, which I copied below)? Also, please let me know what the schedule is for this guidance? Finally, isn't George Hull in the AO?

Abstract:

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Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Jacob, Sicy

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 8:32 AM

To: Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov >; Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov >

Cc: Jennings, Kim < Jennings.Kim@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

Sorry I meant to...getting old and forgetful ©

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From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 8:30 AM

To: Jacob, Sicy < Jacob. Sicy@epa.gov>; Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Cc: Jennings, Kim < Jennings.Kim@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

Should we add George Hull from our office?

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Subject: RE: Ag Vacatur WG list

Hi, Bill: You can put me and Kim Jennings as WG chairs.

Here is the list of people that are involved in developing guidance, Q & A, etc. All these folks will not be working on the rule to remove the language exempting farms. But all are providing support in developing guidance/Q & A.

Lynn Beasley worked on the original rule (2007/2008) and she has been involved in although she is in ORCR now.

Kim/Patty: I think I got everyone that is involved. Please let me/Bill know if I missed anyone. Thanks.

OAR Primary: Robin Dunkins OAR/OAQPS,SPPD, NRG

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OECA: Tim Sullivan OECA/OCE,SLPD
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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 9:07 PM

To: Jacob, Sicy < Jacob, Sicy@epa.gov>

Subject: Ag Vacatur WG list

### Sicy,

Are you the WG chair for the Ag vacatur rule? And the Ag reporting guidance? If so, I need help with the workgroup list. I have a feeling the list in ADP Tracker is out of date. Could you please let me know who is still part of the WG? Here is the list I have:

OA Primary: Alicia Kaiser OA/IO

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R07 Secondary: Dan Breedlove Region07/ORA
R07 Secondary: Alyse Stoy Region07/ORA
R08 Primary: David Cobb Region08/OECEJ

R08 Secondary: Michael Boydston Region08/ORA/ORC R08 Secondary: Jennifer Schuller Region08/ORA

R09 Primary: Mary Wesling Region09/SFD

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R10 Secondary: Nicholas Peak Region10/OE

Thanks,

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From: Boyle, Kathryn [Boyle.Kathryn@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 9/27/2017 7:38:11 PM

**To**: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Thank you!

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From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 3:34 PM **To:** Boyle, Kathryn <Boyle.Kathryn@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

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From: Boyle, Kathryn

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 2:46 PM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle, William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Could you give me a couple of pieces of information so I can add to the spreadsheet?

What will be the Full Title of the action in ADP Tracker? It will be deregulatory?

Thanks

Kathryn

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Kathryn Boyle Office of Regulatory Policy and Management Office of Policy Environmental Protection Agency 202.564.8194

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 12:17 PM

To: Boyle, Kathryn < Boyle. Kathryn@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Kathrvn.

We'd like to split the Vacatur (SAN 5484), and put the Guidance under the new split, as 5484.1. How do we do that?

Thanks,

Bill

From: Boyle, Kathryn

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 11:58 AM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Bill --

Has this been added to Tracker – I just looked and could not find it and I am trying to enter into the spreadsheet for OMB.

**Thanks** 

Kathryn

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From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 11:00 AM **To:** Owens, Nicole <a href="https://www.nicole@epa.gov">owens.Nicole@epa.gov</a>

**Cc:** Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara < Hostage, Barbara@epa.gov>; Griffiths, Charles < Griffiths, Charles@epa.gov>; Morgan, Cynthia < Morgan, Cynthia@epa.gov>; Boyle, Kathryn < Boyle, Kathryn@epa.gov>;

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Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Nicole,

Yes, the guidance will be done in FY18. Here is a short abstract:

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I'll let you know when it's added to Tracker.

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Owens, Nicole

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 10:08 AM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle, William@epa.gov>

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Hi.

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### Nicole

From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 6:53 AM **To:** Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>

Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara < Hostage. Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Nicole,

Attached is the info requested on the CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting Guidance for Farms relating to the vacatur (the vacatur is SAN 5484). Please let us know if you need more info.

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 4:20 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov >; Beaman, Joe < Beaman. Joe@epa.gov >; Jacob, Sicy

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Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Bill-See attached. Let us know if you have any questions.

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 1:29 PM

To: Beaman, Joe <8eaman, Joe@epa.gov>; Jacob, Sicy@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia

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Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov >; Jennings, Kim < Jennings, Kim@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Joe, Sicy, Patty,

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Thanks, Bill

From: Beaman, Joe

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 2:50 PM

To: Jacob, Sicy <Jacob.Sicy@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia <Gioffre, Patricia@epa.gov>; Noggle, William

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Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov >; Jennings, Kim < Jennings. Kim@epa.gov >

Subject: Re: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Yes,

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Joe

From: Jacob, Sicy

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 1:59:05 PM
To: Gioffre, Patricia; Noggle, William; Beaman, Joe

Cc: Cogliano, Gerain; Jennings, Kim

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

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From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 1:39 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>; Beaman, Joe < Beaman. Joe@epa.gov>; Jacob, Sicy

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Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov >; Jennings, Kim < Jennings. Kim@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

OK Bill. We should be able to pull something together by Monday.

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 1:13 PM

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Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov>

Subject: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

### Patty,

OP would like to include the CERCLA/EPCRA guidance (or Qs&As) in with the Agency's deregulatory efforts for FY 2018. They want the following information: title, 3-4 sentences of abstract, and FY 2018 cost savings data (same fields that Joe pulled together for the vacatur – see below). They need by Monday at the latest.

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Cost Savings data fields requested by OP:

# **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5**

Thanks, Bill 202-566-1306

From: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 10/5/2017 11:00:10 AM

**To**: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: OMB Briefing Materials for EPCRA CERCLA response to court vacatur

Thank you so much!!!

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 4, 2017, at 10:56 PM, Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov> wrote:

I'll take care of the edits, but I need Kathy's edits. Could you please send me her version?

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, October 04, 2017 5:17 PM
To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: OMB Briefing Materials for EPCRA CERCLA response to court vacatur

I haven't heard from you on my request, so I may work on these edits in the morning (unless you tell me

otherwise).

Copying you just in case.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 04, 2017 4:50 PM **To:** Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre, Patricia@epa.gov>

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Here are my comments:

- 1. On p.3 third bullet, "mandate" should be "remand."
- 2. P. 4 is confusing, because it says farms will report under EPCRA, even though the next page explains that farms will not report under EPCRA.
- 3. Page 6 is confusing, because "vacatur" is unclear, and because of the confusion on p. 4. I would delete the column titled "vacatur."

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, October 04, 2017 3:32 PM

**To:** Noggle, William < Noggle.William@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara < Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>; Brooks, Becky < Brooks.Becky@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry < Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Davis, Patrick < davis.patrick@epa.gov>; Clark, Becki < Clark.Becki@epa.gov>; Cheatham, Reggie

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Subject: OMB Briefing Materials for EPCRA CERCLA response to court vacatur

Attached is a short slide deck to provide history on the CERCLA EPCRA rule that exempted reporting of emissions from animal wastes at farms. I also attached the FR notice of the final rule action from 2008. Please elevate showstopper issues quickly.

Thanks!

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**Sent**: 10/3/2017 10:05:06 AM

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CC: Jennings, Kim [Jennings.Kim@epa.gov]; Hostage, Barbara [Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov]; Noggle, William

[Noggle.William@epa.gov]

**Subject**: FW: For workgroup review: CERCLA/EPCRA website for agriculture

Attachments: Guidance for Farms DRAFT 10022017 .docx; Guidance for Farms DRAFT 10022017 cp 100317.docx

Importance: High

Patty – a few thoughts from a lay perspective.

### Christopher

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Monday, October 02, 2017 4:06 PM

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Subject: For workgroup review: CERCLA/EPCRA website for agriculture

Importance: High

My apologies to those who are receiving this message twice!

Attached is a draft of the information to be added to the EPA website on CERCLA/EPCRA reporting (i.e., the CERCLA "guidance").

I am requesting that the workgroup review this text simultaneously with the OLEM IO and OGC to expedite review. Note-Our web specialist still needs to format the text to meet agency website formatting requirements. That may change the appearance of the information but will not change the substance.

Please respond with any revisions at your earliest convenience.

Feel free to contact Kim Jennings (202-564-7998) or me with any questions.

### Best wishes!

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CC: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Jennings, Kim [Jennings.Kim@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Draft Update on CERCLA/ EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Release of Hazardous Substances from Animal

Waste at Farms

"Soon" means when we can get it done.

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Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 2:59 PM

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Animal Waste at Farms

I too do not have any comments, although I suspect people will be asking what "soon" means.

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Thanks, Kathy.

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No comments from me

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Animal Waste at Farms

All:

I have reviewed the draft and included an edit using track changes in the attached document to better mirror the statutory language for when reporting is required.

Please contact me with any questions.

Thanks -

Tim

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**Sent**: 9/5/2017 2:22:34 PM

To: Salo, Earl [Salo.Earl@epa.gov]; Swenson, Erik [Swenson.Erik@epa.gov]; Ziegel, Dean [Ziegel.Dean@epa.gov];

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Waste at Farms

Attachments: Update on Next Steps for CERCLA EPCRA Reporting for Farms\_draft.docx

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## CERCLA and EPCRA Reporting Requirements for Air Releases of Hazardous Substances from Animal Waste at Farms

On December 18, 2008, EPA published a final rule that exempted all farms from reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal waste under Section 103 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). The final rule also exempted farms from reporting air releases of hazardous substances from animal wastes under Section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), if they stable or confine fewer than a certain number of species. On April 11, 2017, the DC Circuit Court vacated this final rule.

In response to a request from EPA, the DC Circuit Court has extended the date by which farms must begin reporting these releases to November 15, 2017. Starting on this date, all farms that have releases of hazardous substances to air from animal wastes above their reportable quantities within any 24-hour period must provide notification to the National Response Center (NRC), the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) and the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for the area likely to be affected by the release.

To assist farmers in meeting these CERCLA and EPCRA reporting requirements, EPA is currently developing guidance. EPA is working to have this guidance available to farmers soon to give them time to review the guidance and comply with the reporting requirements.

9/5/17 DRAFT

From: Sassman, Hannah [sassman.hannah@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/4/2018 4:51:22 PM

To: Noggle, William [Noggle.William@epa.gov]
CC: Foster, Stiven [Foster.Stiven@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: PARMS weekly

Attachments: Barrys Weekly 4-5-2018 PARMS sci.DOCX

Hi Bill,

Here are the science team updates. Thanks!
-Hannah

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Wednesday, April 4, 2018 11:31 AM

**To:** Prins, Christopher <Prins.Christopher@epa.gov>; Mattick, Richard <Mattick.Richard@epa.gov>; Cogliano, Gerain <Cogliano.Gerain@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara <Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>; Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; Raffaele, Kathleen <raffaele.kathleen@epa.gov>; Yaquian-Luna, Jose <yaquian-luna.josea@epa.gov>; Sassman, Hannah

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**Subject:** PARMS weekly

PARMS -

Please send me your updates to the weekly by 2pm.

Thanks,

Bill

# Consolidated Report to the AA Office of Land and Emergency Management Office of Program Management Policy Analysis and Regulatory Management Staff

#### For the Weeks of April 9 - 20, 2018

#### <u>Items Requiring AA Signature/Approval/Concurrence</u>

#### DSW Vacaturs

The D.C. Circuit, on July 7, 2017, as modified on March 6, 2018, vacated two regulatory provisions of the 2015 Definition of Solid Waste Rule. A good cause final rule will be used to implement the court decision. The rule should be ready for either Administrator signature or OMB review shortly. Significance briefing with OMB was held on March 28th. (Bill Noggle)

#### PNDD Guidance

The draft guidance is under OMB/interagency review, but review is expected to conclude by April 6<sup>th</sup>. An FR notice opening the comment period should be ready by April 13<sup>th</sup>. (*Bill Noggle*)

#### Informational/No Action Required

Interpretation under EPCRA re Reporting of Releases of Animal Wastes from Farms Guidance: As a result of the FARM Act, OLEM is revising a guidance interpreting EPCRA's reporting requirements of releases of animal wastes from farms. Expecting a revised version for agency review/approval by April 10<sup>th</sup> and to OMB for an expedited review by April 17<sup>th</sup>. Striving to post on the web before May 1<sup>st</sup>. (Gerain Cogliano, Barbara Hostage)

#### RMP Reconsideration NPRM

OMB expects to send the first-round of interagency comments by nlt April 2<sup>nd</sup>. A meeting for DOJ to provide their comments is scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup>. (Gerain Cogliano, Bill Noggle)

#### Hazardous Substances Spill Prevention NPRM

Package was submitted to OMB for interagency review on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. First round of interagency comments is expected by April 13<sup>th</sup>. (Bill Noggle, Gerain Cogliano)

#### Updates to SW-846 Methods 8260 and 8270

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#### International Coordination

Worked with OITA to transmitted a revised draft work plan to China for review and agreement under the EPA- MEP (now Ministry of Ecology and Environment) MOU Waste

Annex, in advance of the planned Joint Committee on Environmental Cooperation (JCEC) meeting in early May. The Administrator is expected to travel to Beijing for the JCEC, and this meeting may provide an opportunity to move forward on topics of mutual interest, including Chinese environmental concerns related to the import of recyclable materials to China and cooperation related to environmental technologies.

#### Scientific Integrity Committee

The SI Committee will hold a quarterly meeting on April 10. Agenda will likely include updates on Best Practices for Clearance effort, and development of materials for addressing differing scientific opinions. PARMS is providing staff support to OLEM's Deputy Scientific Integrity Official Nigel Simon. (Stiven Foster)

#### TSCA Strategy Public Meeting

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, PARMs staff will attend a public meeting being held by EPA-OPPT on the draft strategy to reduce the use of vertebrate animals in chemical testing. Input and information obtained during this meeting will be considered in the development of the final Strategic Plan. (*Kathleen Raffaele*)

#### OLEM-ORD PFAS groundwater remediation meeting

On April 12, there will be a meeting between OLEM and ORD scientists to discuss PFAS groundwater remediation research. (Kathleen Raffaele, Stiven Foster)

#### Lead Strategy

The President's Task Force for Children's Environmental Health Risks is working to complete a draft Lead Strategy by April 30. PARMS will be coordinating the development of content and review by OLEM. (Stiven Foster)

#### PFOA and PFOS Contaminated Groundwater Memorandum

OLEM is working with OW and ORD to develop a memo that addresses PFOA and PFOS contaminated groundwater. PARMS is coordinating the effort within OLEM and with the other Program Offices. (Stiven Foster, Kathleen Raffaele)

Action Items for ODs/OLEM Program Offices

Reports to Congress

Policy Issues and Initiatives

<u>Public Announcements within 60 Days</u>

White House Weekly Items

External Speaking Engagements

Cabinet Report: Good Government Efforts

Cabinet Report: Controversial Issues and Resolution

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**Sent**: 1/22/2018 3:48:49 PM

**To**: Cooperstein, Sharon [Cooperstein.Sharon@epa.gov]

**Subject**: RE: continuous release reporting for farms

I don't know. Sorry. I'll let you know when I hear something.

From: Cooperstein, Sharon

Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 10:11 AM
To: Noggle, William <Noggle.William@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: continuous release reporting for farms

Thanks Bill. Personal Matters / Ex. 6 Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

Thanks,

Sharon

Sharon Cooperstein Environmental Protection Agency Office of Policy WJC North 3521D | Mail Code 1803A 202-564-7051

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, January 19, 2018 2:26 PM

**To:** Cooperstein, Sharon < Cooperstein. Sharon@epa.gov >; Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov >; Nickerson, William < Nickerson. William@epa.gov >

Cc: Hostage, Barbara < Hostage. Barbara@epa.gov>; Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov>

Subject: continuous release reporting for farms

Nicole, Sharon, Bill,

I just heard that OGC intends to file a motion later today to request a delay in the Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> court mandate for animal waste reporting. I asked OGC to send a blurb on the motion, so you can share with OMB, if you think it's appropriate (given Jim Laity's interest with the guidance). I'll pass along as soon as I get it.

Thanks, Bill

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**Sent**: 10/19/2017 3:35:15 PM

To: Dunkins, Robin [Dunkins.Robin@epa.gov]

Subject: OMB request for meeting on animal waste emissions

Robin,

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Thanks, Bill

From: Noggle, William [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

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**Sent**: 10/13/2017 6:49:07 PM

**To**: Cooperstein, Sharon [Cooperstein.Sharon@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: OMB escalation

Attachments: CERCLA 103 Reporting Guidance for Farms 10122017 .docx

From: Cooperstein, Sharon

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 2:36 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: OMB escalation

Hi Bill,

Can you send me the version of the CERCLA guidance that went to OMB?

Thanks,

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 2:15 PM

To: Davis, Patrick < davis.patrick@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry < Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Simon, Nigel

<<u>Simon.Nigel@epa.gov</u>>; Lewis, Jen <<u>Lewis.Jen@epa.gov</u>>; Michaud, John <<u>Michaud.John@epa.gov</u>>; Rees, Sarah

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<a>sacob.Sicy@epa.gov>; Clark, Becki <Clark.Becki@epa.gov>; Cheatham, Reggie <cheatham.reggie@epa.gov></a>

Cc: Brooks, Becky <a href="mailto:sky">Brooks</a>, Becky @epa.gov>; Hilosky, Nick <a href="mailto:hilosky">Hilosky</a>, Nick @epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara

< Hostage. Barbara@epa.gov >

Subject: OMB escalation

Patrick, Sarah,

I just spoke with Jim Laity. He is escalating to his management that the CERCLA Q&As be included in interagency review, and we should target concluding interagency review on both the EPCRA and CERCLA Q&As by the end of next week.

How would you like to handle this?

Thanks, Bill

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**Sent**: 10/6/2017 3:52:21 PM

To: Hostage, Barbara [Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Thanks. I'm not clear on what OP staff have been communicating up, so an email directly from Patrick should help.

From: Hostage, Barbara

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 11:44 AM

To: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov> Cc: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Who knows.

I will send Patrick an email and ask him to contact Samantha.

I am not sure I understand what Sarah & Nicole's reservations are below.

I explained to them that this was a Q&A on EPCRA, not a guidance.

Barbara Hostage, Director

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Phone Number: 202-566-1933 Fax Number: 202-566-1934

Mail Code: 5103T

From: Cogliano, Gerain

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 11:41 AM

To: Hostage, Barbara < Hostage. Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

So an email from Patrick does not count? Has to be a call????

On Oct 6, 2017, at 10:36 AM, Hostage, Barbara <Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for letting me know!

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 11:35 AM

To: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara < Hostage, Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

fyi

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 11:35 AM

To: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov >; Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Thank you. Please keep us posted as you get your management to clear today. I owe you.

From: Jutras, Nathaniel

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 11:33 AM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>; Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

You weren't doing anything wrong as far I can see, but I fixed it and OP has accepted the package.

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 11:22 AM

To: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>; Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile.Caryn@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Thank you. Attached is the doc with the new RIN in the title. I also added to ADP Tracker, but Tracker isn't giving me the option to route to OP. What am I doing wrong?

From: Jutras, Nathaniel

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 10:56 AM

To: Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>; Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Great. Thank you, Caryn.

Bill here you go - 2050-ZA12

From: Muellerleile, Caryn

**Sent:** Friday, October 6, 2017 10:49 AM

To: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

2050-ZA12

From: Jutras, Nathaniel

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 10:43 AM

To: Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>; Rees, Sarah < rees.sarah@epa.gov>; Owens,

Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>; Curry, Bridgid < Curry. Bridgid@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

The SAN is 5484.1

From: Muellerleile, Caryn

Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 10:39 AM

To: Rees, Sarah <rees.sarah@epa.gov>; Owens, Nicole <Owens.Nicole@epa.gov>; Curry, Bridgid

<Curry.Bridgid@epa.gov>

Cc: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

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From: Rees, Sarah

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 10:38 AM

To: Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>; Curry, Bridgid < Curry. Bridgid@epa.gov>

Cc: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>; Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

On many levels this is bizarre. Bridgid and I are concerned that this is not going to accomplish what OLEM would like to do either. This certainly wasn't what I was expecting....

From: Owens, Nicole

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 10:36 AM To: Rees, Sarah < rees.sarah@epa.gov>

Cc: Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>; Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>

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You all should talk. S

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Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

I heard from Samantha this morning that she is checking on this – she is likely reaching out to Patrick and/or David F at OGC. But if Patrick doesn't hear from her soon he should reach out.

From: Noggle, William

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 10:30 AM

To: Rees, Sarah <<u>rees.sarah@epa.gov</u>>; Hostage, Barbara <<u>Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov</u>>
Cc: Owens, Nicole <<u>Owens.Nicole@epa.gov</u>>; Jutras, Nathaniel <<u>Jutras.Nathaniel@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Sarah,

Would it help in expediting OP approval, if we had Patrick Davis call over to Brittany and/or Samantha?

Thanks, Bill 202-566-1306

From: Rees, Sarah

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 8:51 AM

To: Hostage, Barbara < Hostage. Barbara@epa.gov >

Cc: Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>; Jutras, Nathaniel < Jutras. Nathaniel@epa.gov>; Noggle,

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Sent: Thursday, October 05, 2017 5:44 PM

To: Lewis, Jen < Lewis Jen@epa.gov>

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**Sent**: 10/6/2017 2:27:01 PM

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Attachments: EO12866\_EPCRA Ag Reporting\_No RIN\_FinalPolicy\_20171006.docx

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**Sent**: 10/5/2017 12:07:20 PM

To: Principe, Vanessa [Principe.Vanessa@epa.gov]
CC: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: OMB Briefing Materials for EPCRA CERCLA response to court vacatur

Thanks Vanessa. Patty, I'll make the change and send back to you for review.

From: Principe, Vanessa

**Sent:** Thursday, October 05, 2017 7:45 AM **To:** Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov>

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Thanks, V

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On Oct 4, 2017, at 4:01 PM, Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov> wrote:

No showstoppers; reviewed Joe's markup.

On Oct 4, 2017, at 2:32 PM, Gioffre, Patricia <Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Attached is a short slide deck to provide history on the CERCLA EPCRA rule that exempted reporting of emissions from animal wastes at farms. I also attached the FR notice of the final rule action from 2008.

Please elevate showstopper issues quickly.

Thanks!

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**Sent**: 10/5/2017 12:05:17 PM

To: Prins, Christopher [Prins.Christopher@epa.gov]
CC: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]

Subject: Ag ppt

Attachments: CERCLA-EPCRA OMB Briefing 10-5-17.pptx

#### Chris,

I split slide 4, and added some info on common releases. Please review.

Patty,

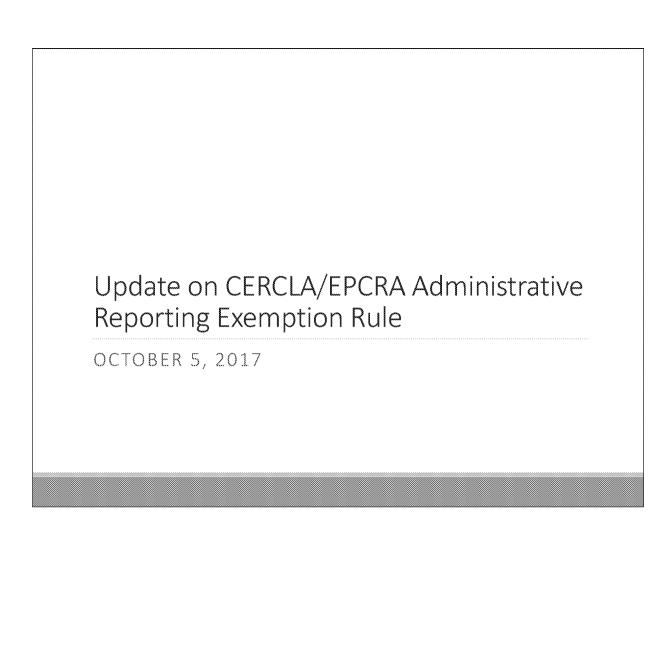
Not sure if the CRR looks like its on an island now.

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Thanks,

Bill





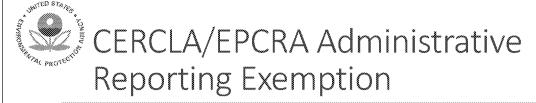
Final rule published December 18, 2008 and provided an exemption for the existing CERCLA 103 and EPCRA 304 reporting requirements to:

- All farms the release hazardous substances from animal waste to the air that meet or exceed their reportable quantities from reporting under CERCLA Section 103 and
- Farms that release hazardous substances from animal waste to the air that meet or exceed their RQ from reporting under EPCRA section 304 if they stable or confine fewer than the identified number of animal species (all but large CAFOs).



# CERCLA/EPCRA Administrative Reporting Exemption

- In 2009, environmentalist petitioned the D.C. Circuit court to review the exemption rule, arguing it violated CERCLA and EPCRA.
- Suit was stayed when EPA sought to resolve the litigation by agreeing to a voluntary remand of the rule without vacatur, while the agency gathered more data before creating mandatory reporting requirements for CAFOs
- In September 2015, the DC Circuit granted a motion by the environmentalist petitioners to recall the voluntary mandate of the rule without vacatur, triggering briefing on the legality of the 2008 rule.
- In December 2016, oral arguments were heard by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit.
- On April 11, 2017, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit vacated the 2008 rule for being neither a reasonable interpretation of statutory ambiguity nor a use of implied authority to create exceptions to statutory mandates.
- At EPA's request, the DC Circuit Court extended the date by which farms must begin reporting these releases to November 15, 2017.



# What does this mean for farms which had the administrative reporting exemption?

- All farms will have to report releases of hazardous substances from animal waste to the air that meet or exceed their reportable quantities under CERCLA Section 103 and EPCRA Section 304.
- Ammonia and hydrogen sulfide are the most recognized hazardous substances that are emitted from animal waste. However, other hazardous substances, such as nitrogen oxide (NO) and certain volatile organic compounds (VOCs) may also be released from animal waste.
- These hazardous substances can be emitted when animal waste is contained in a lagoon or stored in under-floor manure pits in some animal housing, manure stockpiles, or where animals are stabled or confined.



#### Continuous Release Reporting Requirement

- If releases meet the definition of a continuous release under CERCLA, farms can submit continuous release reports under CERCLA and EPCRA.
- For continuous release reporting, to establish the continuity and stability of the release, farms may use:
  - Prior release data;
  - Knowledge of operating procedures; or
  - Best professional judgement.

#### To address court vacatur:

#### CERCLA 103

EPA is pointing farm owner/operators to existing requirements for estimating releases and reporting continuous releases

#### EPCRA 304

EPA is developing an interpretive policy Q&A to exempt farm owners/operators utilizing the "routine agricultural operations" exemption under the definition of hazardous chemical in EPCRA section 311



|               | Sterring (2382)                     | Vacano (2017)              | G1025023 (2017)               |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| CERCLA 103    | All farms exempt                    | All farms now report       | All farms report              |
| EPCRA 304     | All farms exempt except large CAFOs | All farms now report       | All farms exempt              |
| Cost Savings: | \$6.8 M                             | \$29 M (3%)<br>\$25 M (7%) | \$1.3 M (3%)<br>\$1.25 M (7%) |

<sup>\* 2007</sup> dollars

<sup>\*\* 2016</sup> dollars

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**Sent**: 10/6/2017 2:23:15 PM

**To**: Hostage, Barbara [Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov]

**Subject**: RE: Routine agricultural operations Q&A for OMB review

Yup, I have it. A ROCIS piece.

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Thanks for sending forward. Nate is working on the Tracker and

From: Hostage, Barbara

Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 8:30 AM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Routine agricultural operations Q&A for OMB review

Hi, Bill.

Do you have the email from Patrick/Susan approving this to go to OMB?

We need to make sure this was approved to go.

Have you sent it forward yet?

If so, please cc me and Nicole and Sarah.

Thank you!

Barbara Hostage, Director

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Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 8:23 AM

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Subject: Routine agricultural operations Q&A for OMB review

#### EPCRA/CERCLA workgroup-

Attached is the revised Q&A for the EPCRA 304 interpretation of routine agricultural operations. The logic of the argument on the Q&A is laid out in the email below.

Susan Bodine and Patrick Davis reviewed this last night and approved it to go to OP and OMB. I am sharing with the workgroup as an FYI.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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Subject: Updated routine agricultural operations Q&A

Patrick,

As we discussed earlier today, OGC has revised the draft Q&A to address various comments. The draft is attached. We thought it might be helpful to set out the thought process for the exception, which we've done below.

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We are happy to discuss.

We understand that this needs to go to OMB by tomorrow, so if folks in the "cc" line could get this to all the right people for final review, that would be great.

Jen

Jen Lewis
Deputy Associate General Counsel

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**Sent**: 10/12/2017 9:14:29 PM

To: Gioffre, Patricia [Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov]

**Subject**: RE: not sure how to tackle that one

Love it. Let it ride.

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 4:41 PM

To: Lewis, Jen <Lewis.Jen@epa.gov>; Noggle, William <Noggle.William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: not sure how to tackle that one

How about this link?

https://www.epa.gov/epcra/reporting-requirements-continuous-releases-hazardous-substances-guide-facilities-

compliance

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From: Lewis, Jen

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 4:23 PM

To: Gioffre, Patricia <Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov>; Noggle, William <Noggle.William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: not sure how to tackle that one

But doesn't that just link back to the main page? As in, a person goes to the CERCLA 103 guidance page, they click on a link to learn about EPCRA, and then this link would just bring them back to the original page?

In other news, I may need to drop off right at 4:30, but I think we've tackled the legal issues and I think Earl is probably staying on.

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From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 4:20 PM

To: Lewis, Jen < Lewis.Jen@epa.gov>; Noggle, William < Noggle.William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: not sure how to tackle that one

Perhaps we add a sentence at the end that points to existing guidance:

Under EPA's interpretation, a farm where substances are used in routine agricultural operations is not required to report a spill or release under EPCRA 304; however, farms are still required to report releases of CERCLA hazardous substances

under CERCLA 103 and EPA's implementing regulations 40 CFR 302. For more information, see https://www.epa.gov/epcra/cercla-and-epcra-continuous-release-reporting.

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From: Lewis, Jen

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 4:14 PM

To: Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov >; Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov >

Subject: not sure how to tackle that one

Not sure how to tackle the CERCLA 103 thing they want to include. We won't need it since we'll have the guidance up....

Jen Lewis Deputy Associate General Counsel Solid Waste and Emergency Response Law Office (202) 564-2097

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**Sent**: 9/27/2017 4:07:04 PM

**To**: Boyle, Kathryn [Boyle.Kathryn@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Nope. Hasn't been added yet. On my short list.

From: Boyle, Kathryn

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2017 11:58 AM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Bill ---

Has this been added to Tracker – I just looked and could not find it and I am trying to enter into the spreadsheet for OMB

**Thanks** 

Kathryn

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Kathryn Boyle Office of Regulatory Policy and Management Office of Policy Environmental Protection Agency 202.564.8194

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From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 11:00 AM **To:** Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>

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Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia < Gioffre. Patricia@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Nicole,

Yes, the guidance will be done in FY18. Here is a short abstract:

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I'll let you know when it's added to Tracker.

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Owens, Nicole

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 10:08 AM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

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Muellerleile, Caryn < Muellerleile. Caryn@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Hi.

Since we'll be including this as one of our deregulatory actions, would you please also add to Tracker. IN the meantime, can you send a few sentence abstract and let us know when you plan to issue this? Fy 2018, right?

Charles or Cynthia may be following up about the cost savings estimate.

Nicole

From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 6:53 AM **To:** Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>

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Subject: FW: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Nicole,

Attached is the info requested on the CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting Guidance for Farms relating to the vacatur (the vacatur is SAN 5484). Please let us know if you need more info.

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 4:20 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle, William@epa.gov >; Beaman, Joe < Beaman, Joe@epa.gov >; Jacob, Sicy

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Bill-See attached. Let us know if you have any questions.

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Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 1:29 PM

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Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Joe, Sicy, Patty,

How are you coming along with a cost savings estimate for the Ag guidance?

Thanks, Bill

From: Beaman, Joe

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 2:50 PM

To: Jacob, Sicy < <u>Jacob, Sicy@epa.gov</u>>; Gioffre, Patricia < <u>Gioffre, Patricia@epa.gov</u>>; Noggle, William

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Subject: Re: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Yes,

Last weeks numbers were for burden due to the vacatur for medium AFOs.

Joe

From: Jacob, Sicy

**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2017 1:59:05 PM **To:** Gioffre, Patricia; Noggle, William; Beaman, Joe

Cc: Cogliano, Gerain; Jennings, Kim

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Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 1:39 PM

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Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov >; Jennings, Kim < Jennings. Kim@epa.gov >

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OK Bill. We should be able to pull something together by Monday.

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Patty.

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Thanks, Bill 202-566-1306

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**Sent**: 10/12/2017 2:46:04 PM

To: Hostage, Barbara [Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: EPCRA section 304 - Summary of OMB/ DOJ call and elevating delay concerns

Yup. Jen knows. She already send the entire CERCLA piece to DOJ for litigation review. Yes, Patrick wants the CERCLA piece posted on Monday.

From: Hostage, Barbara

**Sent:** Thursday, October 12, 2017 10:39 AM **To:** Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: EPCRA section 304 - Summary of OMB/ DOJ call and elevating delay concerns

Importance: High

Thanks, Bill.

Have you let Jen know that Barry/Patrick are OK sending the whole CERCLA 103 material? If DOJ is OK, then is Barry/Patrick OK with posting on the web on Monday?

PS On a CERCLA 108(b) call until 11:00 am.

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Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 10:31 AM

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<Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: EPCRA section 304 - Summary of OMB/ DOJ call and elevating delay concerns

Importance: High

Patrick,

Please hold off on calling Brittany/Samantha to expedite review of the EPCRA Q&A. OGC staff is meeting with David Fotouhi later this morning, when they will discuss if any additional review time, beyond Monday, would add value to the EPCRA Q&A. Sorry for the confusion.

Thanks,

Bill

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Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 12:35 PM

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George < Hull.George@epa.gov>; Bosecker, Elizabeth < Bosecker.Elizabeth@epa.gov> Subject: EPCRA section 304 - Summary of OMB/ DOJ call and elevating delay concerns

Importance: High

Barry/Patrick-This is to alert you of the outcome from today's call with OMB and DOJ on the EPCRA section 304 interpretive Q&A.

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OGC-Please feel free to add or correct anything I've characterized in this email. Please let me know if you have additional questions.

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**Sent**: 9/29/2017 3:01:42 PM

**To**: Cooperstein, Sharon [Cooperstein.Sharon@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: Q&A on Routine Agricultural Operations under EPCRA 304

Attachments: Routine Agricultural Operations -QA\_DRAFT 9-22-17 PD - TJS edits.docx

Here is the latest...

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Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 4:33 PM

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Thanks -

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Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 1:46 PM

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<fotouhi.david@epa.gov>; Sullivan, Tim <Sullivan.Tim@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Q&A on Routine Agricultural Operations under EPCRA 304

All:

Dean and I reviewed the document and added our comments to the attached draft. [I tried to save the edits/comments on the draft in the OneDrive system, but the system would not let me do so.]

Please contact us if you have any questions on our comments.

Thanks -

Tim

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Subject: RE: Q&A on Routine Agricultural Operations under EPCRA 304

See my edits to EPCRA Q&A tracked on the attached.

Thanks.

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From: Gioffre, Patricia

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Subject: Q&A on Routine Agricultural Operations under EPCRA 304

Importance: High

Attached is a draft Q&A on EPA's interpretation of routine agricultural operations.

OGC is currently reviewing; however, I am sharing with others for feedback. Given the timeframe we have to issue guidance (by 10/16/17), please respond with any questions/concerns at your earliest convenience.

#### Best wishes!

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(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=24084230D263442F84DACC362C096C11-WNOGGLE]

**Sent**: 10/11/2017 6:53:53 PM

**To**: Hostage, Barbara [Hostage.Barbara@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: EPCRA section 304 - Summary of OMB/ DOJ call and elevating delay concerns

Importance: High

#### Barbara,

The WG is looking to PARMS on if/how we share the CERCLA Qs&As with OMB. How do you want to handle? I'm guessing we'll want to ask Patrick? Also, did Patrick say he would call OP about expedited OMB review?

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 12:35 PM

To: Davis, Patrick <davis.patrick@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry <Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Simon, Nigel

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Subject: EPCRA section 304 - Summary of OMB/ DOJ call and elevating delay concerns

Importance: High

Barry/Patrick-This is to alert you of the outcome from today's call with OMB and DOJ on the EPCRA section 304 interpretive Q&A.

## **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5**

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OGC-Please feel free to add or correct anything I've characterized in this email. Please let me know if you have additional questions.

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**Sent**: 9/26/2017 10:55:51 AM

To: Muellerleile, Caryn [Muellerleile.Caryn@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Attachments: Benefits Analysis for Guidance for EPCRA 304 reporting 092517.docx

#### Caryn,

Meant to send the email below to you as well... I hit send too quickly. Please let me know if you need more info.

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Noggle, William

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2017 6:53 AM **To:** Owens, Nicole < Owens. Nicole@epa.gov>

Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano. Gerain@epa.gov>; Hostage, Barbara < Hostage. Barbara@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

#### Nicole,

Attached is the info requested on the CERCLA/EPCRA Reporting Guidance for Farms relating to the vacatur (the vacatur is SAN 5484). Please let us know if you need more info.

Thanks,

Bill

202-566-1306

From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 4:20 PM

To: Noggle, William <Noggle.William@epa.gov>; Beaman, Joe <Beaman.Joe@epa.gov>; Jacob, Sicy

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Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Bill-See attached. Let us know if you have any questions.

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From: Noggle, William

Sent: Monday, September 25, 2017 1:29 PM

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Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Joe, Sicy, Patty,

How are you coming along with a cost savings estimate for the Ag guidance?

Thanks,

Bill

From: Beaman, Joe

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 2:50 PM

To: Jacob, Sicy <<u>Jacob, Sicy@epa.gov</u>>; Gioffre, Patricia <<u>Gioffre, Patricia@epa.gov</u>>; Noggle, William

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Subject: Re: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Yes,

Last weeks numbers were for burden due to the vacatur for medium AFOs.

Joe

From: Jacob, Sicy

**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2017 1:59:05 PM **To:** Gioffre, Patricia; Noggle, William; Beaman, Joe

Cc: Cogliano, Gerain; Jennings, Kim

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

Hmmm....I don't think we had any burden/cost analysis done separately for EPCRA compliance/exempted farms in the economic analysis.

Let me check.

Bill: The information that Joe gave you last week was burden that would be incurred due to the vacatur. Right? I was just looking at the chart and the title of each column has "cost(savings)".

Anyway, let me see what we can come up with for Section 304 exemption – savings. thanks

Sicy Jacob Chemical Engineer Regulations Implementation Division Office of Emergency Management U.S. EPA, MailCode 5104A 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

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From: Gioffre, Patricia

Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 1:39 PM

To: Noggle, William < Noggle. William@epa.gov >; Beaman, Joe < Beaman. Joe@epa.gov >; Jacob, Sicy

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Cc: Cogliano, Gerain < Cogliano, Gerain@epa.gov >; Jennings, Kim < Jennings, Kim@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

OK Bill. We should be able to pull something together by Monday.

Sicy- Can you start working on the narrative for this and then we can discuss on Monday with Kim/Joe to determine how to characterize cost savings. I don't expect any cost/benefits for the CERCLA part of the effort, but our interpretation for EPCRA 304 reporting would result in a cost savings.

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Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 1:13 PM

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Subject: NEEDED MONDAY - CERCLA/EPCRA Ag Guidance

#### Patty,

OP would like to include the CERCLA/EPCRA guidance (or Qs&As) in with the Agency's deregulatory efforts for FY 2018. They want the following information: title, 3-4 sentences of abstract, and FY 2018 cost savings data (same fields that Joe pulled together for the vacatur – see below). They need by Monday at the latest.

The website itself won't be significant under EO 12866 but likely the Q&A (or policy memo / guidance) that you're preparing, OMB will want to see. We will need to provide draft doc to OP for them to review and discuss with OMB. No rush; whenever a version is ready (We know it needs to go through a variety of reviews internally first.)

Cost Savings data fields requested by OP:

| Primary      |                 | Low Range    | Low Range     | High Range   | High Range    | Length of                               |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Annualized   | Primary         | Annualized   | Annualized    | Annualized   | Annualized    | Time that                               |
| Cost         | Annualized Cost | Cost         | Cost          | Cost         | Cost          | Costs or Cost                           |
| (Savings)    | (Savings)       | (Savings)    | (Savings)     | (Savings)    | (Savings)     | *************************************** |
| Estimate at  | Estimate at 3   | Estimate at  | Estimate at   | Estimate at  | Estimate at   | <u>Savings</u><br>Occur                 |
| 7 percent.   | percent, 2016S  | 7 percent.   | 3 percent.    | 7 percent,   | 3 percent,    | 000000000000000000000000000000000000000 |
| <u>2016S</u> |                 | <u>2016S</u> | <u>2016\$</u> | <u>2016S</u> | <u> 2016S</u> | (in years)                              |

Thanks,

From: ODea, Elise [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=ODEA, ELISE]

**Sent**: 12/5/2017 9:40:04 PM

To: Lewis, Jen [Lewis.Jen@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: incoming earthjustice

Great, thanks Jen!

Elise

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Elise M. O'Dea Solid Waste & Emergency Response Law Office Office of General Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564-4201

From: Lewis, Jen

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 05, 2017 4:17 PM **To:** ODea, Elise <odea.elise@epa.gov> **Subject:** FW: incoming earthjustice

The link below has public comments on our preliminary EPCRA interpretation. The preliminary interpretation is the basis for our rulemaking, so you should familiarize yourself with them. Specifically, the Earthjustice and Don't Waste Arizona are probably the most relevant.

Jen Lewis Deputy Associate General Counsel Solid Waste and Emergency Response Law Office (202) 564-2097

From: Jennings, Kim

Sent: Tuesday, December 05, 2017 8:52 AM

To: Lewis, Jen < Lewis Jen@epa.gov>; Swenson, Erik < Swenson.Erik@epa.gov>; Salo, Earl < Salo.Earl@epa.gov>; Michaud, John < Michaud.John@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Gioffre, Patricia < <u>Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov</u>>; Franklin, Kathy < <u>Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov</u>>; Jacob, Sicy < Jacob.Sicy@epa.gov>; Indermark, Michele < Indermark.Michele@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: incoming earthjustice

Hi Jen, Erik, and John,

Just wanted to give you a heads up on comments we have received on the EPCRA "routine agriculture operations" exemption. This may give some insight on potential upcoming litigation from environmental groups.

Thanks, Kim

Kim Jennings

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From: Franklin, Kathy

Sent: Friday, December 01, 2017 2:46 PM

To: Indermark, Michele < <a href="mark.Michele@epa.gov">! Jacob, Sicy < <a href="mark.Jacob.Sicy@epa.gov">! Jennings, Kim</a>

<Jennings.Kim@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia <Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: incoming earthjustice

We did receive both sets of Earthjustice's comments:

One set sent on behalf over 60 groups and individuals is 6 pages and opposes EPA's interim guidance which exempts animal feeding operations (AFOs) from EPCRA release reporting requirements.

The second set of comments sent on behalf of six organizations has 13 pages of comment opposing EPA's interim guidance on EPCRA release reporting. These comments came with almost 2000 pages of other documents, many of them previous comments submitted on the 2008 EPA rule that exempted some AFOs from CERCLA and EPCRA reporting, along with various technical documents on emissions from AFOs including health effects.

Given that similar arguments are being made against the interim EPCRA guidance in the ongoing court case and EPA intends to conduct a rulemaking on the interpretation of "used in routine agricultural operations" as it pertains to EPCRA reporting requirements, we would not be formally responding back to comments received on the interim guidance. Unless someone else thinks otherwise. However, we are using the comments we have received to develop QAs on the interim guidance.

I recently made the comments we have received available on Sharepoint and the CERCLA/EPCRA release reporting workgroup is reviewing them.

https://usepa.sharepoint.com/sites/OLEM\_Work/cercla\_epcra/Shared%20Documents/Public%20comments%20CERCLA %20EPCRA%20animal%20waste%20guidance?csf=1&e=9e0ae7ac84524b24847332aec2729c9c

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From: Indermark, Michele

Sent: Friday, December 01, 2017 2:14 PM

To: Jacob, Sicy <Jacob, Sicy@epa.gov>; Jennings, Kim <Jennings, Kim@epa.gov>; Gioffre, Patricia

<Gioffre.Patricia@epa.gov>; Franklin, Kathy <Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: incoming earthjustice

FYSA – this is incoming via CMS. Can you let me know how you are handling comments? Will there be a formal "response to comments?"

Michele Indermark OLEM/OEM Special Assistant (w) 202-564-0794 From: Brooks, Becky

Sent: Friday, December 01, 2017 2:05 PM

To: McLendon, Wanda < <a href="McLendon.Wanda@epa.gov">McLendon.Wanda@epa.gov</a>>; London, Bernadine <a href="London.Bernadine@epa.gov">London, Bernadine@epa.gov</a>>

Cc: Indermark, Michele < Indermark. Michele@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: incoming earthjustice

Please control this in CMS to OEM. No action required unless OEM did not receive the comments. I have provided a copy of this letter to Barry. The original is in your box. Thanks. Becky

Becky Brooks
Special Assistant
Office of Land and Emergency Management
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ph. 202-566-2762

From: DC-WJCW-3146-M@epa.gov [mailto:DC-WJCW-3146-M@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Friday, December 01, 2017 2:02 PM **To:** Brooks, Becky <a href="mailto:Brooks.Becky@epa.gov">Brooks, Becky@epa.gov</a>

Subject: incoming earthjustice

From: Sicy Jacob [sicyjacob1@yahoo.com]

**Sent**: 4/3/2018 9:12:43 PM

To: ODea, Elise [odea.elise@epa.gov]

Subject: Section 304(a)(1)

Two criteria must be met - types of releases subject to 304 notification. From a facility that produce, use or store AND such release requires notification. Under the FARM act air emissions do not need to be reported. So one of the criteria in 304(a)(1) doesn't apply in order to be subject to 304.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Franklin, Kathy [Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 3/8/2018 5:24:58 PM

To: ODea, Elise [odea.elise@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: redacting personal info in comments from farms before docketing

I have only entered a few comments into FDMS that specifically supported the issues we cited in the preamble. I will be leaving at 1:30 pm today to go to a moot court on the RMP Delay rule litigation that is scheduled to run from 2-4 pm, so I won't have email access until after that. I don't have an EPA phone. Kim is working at home and is supposed to call-in to the moot court. Patty is here today and is calling in to moot court. I plan on working late tonight- I am also grappling with last minute issues with getting our proposed RMP reconsideration rule package to OMB.

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From: ODea, Elise

**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 12:19 PM **To:** Franklin, Kathy <a href="mailto:Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov">Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov</a>

Subject: RE: redacting personal info in comments from farms before docketing

Thanks, Kathy! I am still running this issue down with our APA folks. It's looking like they may suggest that we include all of the comments in the docket so that it doesn't look like we are cherry picking only those comments that support the rule. If you haven't started adding the guidance comments to the docket, please feel free to hold off until I get a more definitive answer about these issues on our end. Thanks!

Elise

Elise M. O'Dea Office of General Counsel U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564-4201

From: Franklin, Kathy

**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 12:12 PM **To:** ODea, Elise < odea.elise@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: redacting personal info in comments from farms before docketing

Attached is another comment on the CERCLA guidance with a disclaimer that I would like to put into the docket, but not critical. From Enviro-Ag Engineering.

I have looked at all the other comments and there is another one from Univ of Nebraska that I would like to include in the docket.

As far as the individuals who provided comments, none of them provided specific comments on the CERCLA guidance, most were complaints about farms and reports of bad effects suffered.

Of the enviro or public interest groups, most of them were focused on opposition to our EPCRA exemption interpretation. However, three did also include comments specific to the items on the continuous release reporting forms and types of emissions occurring at farms, their sources and variations, so I see that as pertaining to the CERCLA guidance, CERCLA reporting and trying to estimate or characterize emissions from farms, so I would include them in the docket. Although they also have a lot to say in opposition to the EPCRA exemption. Those three commenters are Don't Waste Arizona, Food and Water Watch, and Waterkeepers Chesapeake. No issues with disclaimers or reporting personal address, phone or email addresses.

The other three enviro commenters who only discuss the EPCRA exemption, I will not put into the docket: Those are EarthJustice and EarthJustice signers add on, Iowa Chapter of Sierra Club, and Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health.

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From: Franklin, Kathy

**Sent:** Thursday, March 08, 2018 11:38 AM **To:** ODea, Elise <odea.elise@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: redacting personal info in comments from farms before docketing

So another comment I would like to put into the docket is attached but it has disclaimer language on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page:

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So I guess we should not include this comment into the docket because of the disclaimer? This is not one of the more important emails that address the specific topics on guidance that we mentioned in the preamble, but it does address other reporting issues.

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From: ODea, Elise

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 5:37 PM **To:** Franklin, Kathy <a href="mailto:Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov">Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov</a>>

Subject: RE: redacting personal info in comments from farms before docketing

Hi Kathy,

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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 5:16 PM **To:** ODea, Elise <odea.elise@epa.gov>

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**Sent**: 3/8/2018 5:12:18 PM

**To**: ODea, Elise [odea.elise@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: redacting personal info in comments from farms before docketing

Attachments: Delmarva Poultry Industry 11-14-17 Bill Satterfield.pdf; Enviro-Ag Engineering 11-6-17 Steven Pratt.pdf

Attached is another comment on the CERCLA guidance with a disclaimer that I would like to put into the docket, but not critical. From Enviro-Ag Engineering.

I have looked at all the other comments and there is another one from Univ of Nebraska that I would like to include in the docket.

As far as the individuals who provided comments, none of them provided specific comments on the CERCLA guidance, most were complaints about farms and reports of bad effects suffered.

Of the enviro or public interest groups, most of them were focused on opposition to our EPCRA exemption interpretation. However, three did also include comments specific to the items on the continuous release reporting forms and types of emissions occurring at farms, their sources and variations, so I see that as pertaining to the CERCLA guidance, CERCLA reporting and trying to estimate or characterize emissions from farms, so I would include them in the docket. Although they also have a lot to say in opposition to the EPCRA exemption. Those three commenters are Don't Waste Arizona, Food and Water Watch, and Waterkeepers Chesapeake. No issues with disclaimers or reporting personal address, phone or email addresses.

The other three enviro commenters who only discuss the EPCRA exemption, I will not put into the docket: Those are EarthJustice and EarthJustice signers add on, Iowa Chapter of Sierra Club, and Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health.

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So I guess we should not include this comment into the docket because of the disclaimer? This is not one of the more important emails that address the specific topics on guidance that we mentioned in the preamble, but it does address other reporting issues.

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**Sent**: 3/7/2018 8:48:13 PM

To: ODea, Elise [odea.elise@epa.gov]

**Subject**: RE: Proposed RQ Rule - Specific Comments

Thanks, I missed that declaration. And it did not think about the extension order.

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From: ODea, Elise

Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 3:42 PM
To: Franklin, Kathy < Franklin.Kathy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Proposed RQ Rule - Specific Comments

Good question. I've attached another declaration that we cite to in the preamble, as well as the court's order staying the mandate until May 1, 2018. Thank you, Kathy!

Elise

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From: Franklin, Kathy

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 3:25 PM **To:** ODea, Elise < odea.elise@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Proposed RQ Rule - Specific Comments

Thanks. Regarding the Waterkeeper case, I have the April 2017 court decision, the respondents bried, and the Declaration from Dana Tulis going into the docket. Are there any other court documents that need to go into the docket to support our rule?

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Hi Kathy,

I pulled the information, below, from one of our *Waterkeeper* briefs, which cite to specific comments we received on the Poultry Petition and on the 2008 final rule.

Poultry Petition: EPA received approximately 25 comments from state and local response and planning agencies. These agencies supported granting the Poultry Petition and generally gave three reasons: (a) that they were already aware of animal feeding operations in their jurisdictions; (b) that they were concerned that receiving and processing notifications from poultry operations would divert resources from legitimate emergencies; and (c) that they would not conduct an emergency response action upon notification of a release of ammonia into the air from poultry waste. Id.; see, e.g., Letter from Carolyn O'Hare, Chairperson, Local Emergency Planning Comm., Leesport, Pa., to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 15, 2006); Letter from Peter Connet, Chairman, Local Emergency Planning Comm., Johnston County, N.C., to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 17, 2006). One state emergency response commission noted that it had received no reports of endangerment from ammonia from poultry farms in the prior 15 years, and estimated that processing regular notifications from the approximately 4000 poultry operations in the State would require 20 "man-years effort" from State personnel, plus additional time for local response agencies. See Letter from Carol Couch, Comm'r, Ga. State Emergency Response Comm'n, to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 30, 2006). Another agency explained that CERCLA and EPCRA reports are unnecessary, because the Agency already required animal feeding operations to have permits under the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, and state laws designed to protect human health and the environment. See Letter from Charles Chisolm, Executive Director, Miss. Dep't of Envtl. Quality, to EPA Superfund Docket (Mar. 14, 2006).

#### • 2008 Final Rule:

- Even though the Proposed Rule would exempt a larger range of farms, not just poultry operations, comments from state and local response agencies continued to affirm EPA's conclusion that they were not likely to respond to a release from animal waste at farms. See, e.g., Letter from J. Allen Metheny, Sr., Chairperson for Local Emergency Planning Comm., Kent County, Del., to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 14, 2008); Comment of Edye Rowell, Chairman, N. Central Fla. Local Emergency Planning Comm. (Feb. 15, 2008) (noting that prior EPCRA section 304 report of ammonia release from a chicken farm was not "useful" to the Committee).
- The record also shows that state and local agencies are unlikely to respond to such releases, because they are aware of the ongoing releases from farms in their jurisdiction, they had not received complaints about adverse health effects from such releases, and they did not believe a response would be effective at correcting the emissions. See, e.g., Letter from J. Allen Metheny, Sr., Chairperson for Local Emergency Planning Comm., Kent County, Del., to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 14, 2008); Comment of Edye Rowell, Chairman, N. Central Fla. Local Emergency Planning Comm. (Feb. 15, 2008); Letter from Carol Couch, Comm'r, Ga. State Emergency Response Comm'n, to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 30, 2006); Letter from Peter Connet, Chairman, Local Emergency Planning Comm., Johnston County, N.C., to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 17, 2006); Letter from Carolyn O'Hare, Chairperson, Local Emergency Planning Comm., Leesport, Pa., to Lynn Beasley, EPA (Mar. 15, 2006).

Thanks! Flise

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(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=929DF8C22E554FB89F9B0850729E1A51-PEAK, NICHOLAS]

**Sent**: 1/17/2018 6:37:33 PM

To: Burke, Alison [Burke.Alison@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: The Weekly

I would say both... Hot Topic this week and Upcoming. I forgot to mention that it was Ag Sector.

Nick Peak Agriculture Advisor EPA, Region 10 208-378-5765

From: Burke, Alison

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 17, 2018 11:34 AM **To:** Peak, Nicholas <a href="mailto:Peak.Nicholas@epa.gov">Peak.Nicholas@epa.gov</a>

Subject: RE: The Weekly

Upcoming? Do you mean Hot Topic – Upcoming? Is there a date associated with it?

Does this fall under AG?

Alison Burke, Management Analyst 360-753-8185

From: Peak, Nicholas

Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 10:28 AM

To: Burke, Alison < Burke. Alison@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Michelle < wilcox.michelle@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: The Weekly

Actually...

Hot Topic - This week and upcoming

Due to a recent court decision, farms (including ranches, livestock operations and/or animal operations) will soon be required to report hazardous substance air releases from animal waste under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) when they release hazardous substances from animal waste in amounts greater than/equal to their reportable quantity within a 24-hour period. The purpose of these fact sheets and FAQs is to provide an overview and basic information for those who are impacted by this new requirement.

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The factsheets are also available on the CERCLA/EPCRA website. A link is available at the top of the page: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/animalwaste">www.eap.gov/animalwaste</a> or you can link to the factsheets directly at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/fact-sheet-cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal">https://www.epa.gov/epcra/fact-sheet-cercla-and-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal</a>.

Nick Peak Agriculture Advisor EPA, Region 10 208-378-5765

From: Burke, Alison

Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 11:22 AM

To: Wilcox, Michelle <wilcox.michelle@epa.gov>; Peak, Nicholas <Peak.Nicholas@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: The Weekly

Importance: High

Do either of you have anything for The Weekly? If you do, please send them to me **ASAP**. Please read the email below about The Weekly categories and if your entry falls under one of the Region's sector programs. THANKS!

Alison Burke, Management Analyst 360-753-8185

From: Burke, Alison

Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 2:15 PM

To: Wilcox, Michelle <wilcox.michelle@epa.gov>; Peak, Nicholas <Peak.Nicholas@epa.gov>

Cc: Edmondson, Lucy < edmondson.lucy@epa.gov>

**Subject:** The Weekly **Importance:** High

Does anyone have anything that they need submitted to The Weekly? If you do, please send me the information to me by 9:00 am TOMORROW (January 17<sup>th</sup>). Be sure to indicate which category your submission falls under:

Hot Topics - THIS WEEK

Hot Topics - UPCOMING

Future External Events

Success Stories

If you're providing information that relates to one of the sector programs, be sure to type which program it is before the title. EXAMPLE: Agriculture Sector: Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Monitoring Technical Committee Meeting

The following are the 4 different sectors:

Agriculture

Forest

Mining

Oil and Gas

Thank you!

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**Sent**: 1/16/2018 10:25:20 PM **To**: jay@wastatedairy.com

Subject: EPA factsheets on CERCLA-EPCRA reporting for animal waste

Attachments: CERCLA EPCRA Factsheet FINAL.PDF; CERCLA EPCRA Factsheet FINAL (SPANISH).pdf

Jay,

Please see the announcement below (and attached fact sheets) from EPA's Office of Emergency Management regarding CERCLA-EPCRA reporting for animal waste. Feel free to give me a call if you have any questions.

Thanks,
-Nick

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#### Oficina de Administración de Tierras y Emergencias

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# Requisitos de reportes para emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales en las granjas conforme a CERCLA y EPCRA

#### Generalidades

Hay dos leyes ambientales, la Ley de Responsabilidad, Compensación y Respuesta Ambiental Comprensiva (CERCLA, por sus siglas en inglés) y la Ley de Planificación para Emergencias y Derecho a Saber de la Comunidad (EPCRA, por sus siglas en inglés) que exigen reportar emisiones de una sustancia peligrosa que exceda una cantidad reportable en un periodo de 24 horas. El propósito de la notificación es para que los funcionarios federales, estatales y locales evalúen la necesidad de una respuesta de emergencia a fin de mitigar los efectos de la emisión a la comunidad.

Debido a una decisión judicial reciente, pronto se les exigirá a algunas granjas (incluidos ranchos, operaciones ganaderas y/u operaciones animales) reportar las emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales según CERCLA.

#### ¿Por qué debo reportar?

Anteriormente, la EPA eximía a las granjas de reportar emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales según CERCLA, y solo las operaciones concentradas de gran envergadura para alimentar animales (CAFO, por sus siglas en inglés) estaban sujetas a reportes conforme a EPCRA, que es una ley separada pero relacionada.

Hubo grupos de ciudadanos que objetaron la validez de la regla de la EPA, y la Corte de Apelaciones de los EE. UU. correspondiente al Circuito DC anuló dicha regla de la EPA el 11 de abril de 2017. Por lo tanto, ya no es aplicable la exención reglamentaria de la EPA.

A causa de la decisión judicial, se exigirá a las granjas con operaciones animales que emiten ciertas cantidades de sustancias peligrosas que reporten estas emisiones al aire incluso a partir del 22 de enero de 2018.

#### ¿Cuándo tengo que reportar?

Se espera que se emita la orden judicial el 22 de enero de 2018. Las granjas no deben reportar hasta que se emita la orden judicial.

#### ¿Debo presentar un informe de CERCLA?

Se exige reportar cuando las emisiones de sustancias peligrosas (como amoníaco o sulfuro de hidrógeno) provenientes de desechos animales alcancen o excedan sus cantidades reportables dentro de un periodo de 24 horas. Para ver una lista completa de sustancias peligrosas conforme a CERCLA, consulte el enlace de Recursos en inglés en:

www.epa.gov/animalwaste.

#### ¿Qué sustancias se deben reportar?

El amoníaco (NH<sub>3</sub>) y el sulfuro de hidrógeno (H<sub>2</sub>S) son sustancias peligrosas comunes emitidas por los desechos animales que se exige reportar si se emiten al aire en cantidades que superen o igualen la cantidad reportable de 100 lbs dentro de un periodo de 24 horas. Si una granja emite cualquier otra sustancia peligrosa sobre sus cantidades reportables designadas dentro de un periodo de 24 horas, deben reportarse aquellas también.

#### ¿Cómo estimo las emisiones?

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#### ¿Por qué no puede la EPA decirme cuántos animales se requiere reportar?

La EPA reconoce que será dificil para los agricultores estimar las emisiones porque no hay una metodología generalmente aceptada para estimar estas emisiones en este momento.

Hay muchos factores que influyen en las emisiones:

- · ubicación geográfica;
- condiciones ambientales;
- prácticas administrativas (por ej, forraje, guano);
- características de los animales (por ej. número, especie, etapa de vida);
- · condiciones operativas; y
- prácticas generales de gestión.

Debido a las interacciones complejas de estos factores, no pueden estandarizarse las emisiones basándose exclusivamente en el número y tipo de animales que haya en cada operación animal. Por ejemplo, hay muchas situaciones donde las operaciones con menos animales tienen mayores emisiones que las operaciones con mayor número de la misma especie animal.

La EPA está trabajando para desarrollar metodologías destinadas a estimar las emisiones de una amplia variedad de operaciones para así informar mejor sobre estimar emisiones provenientes de desechos animales. Sin embargo, no se terminará dicha labor antes del mandato judicial para que los agricultores reporten.

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Para asistir a los agricultores con los requisitos de reportar, la EPA ha puesto recursos a disposición en su sitio web que pueden ser útiles para estimar las emisiones. También puede usar otros modelos para estimar emisiones o puede estimar cantidades de emisiones basándose en:

- Datos anteriores de emisiones:
- Estimados de ingeniería;
- Su conocimiento de las operaciones de la instalación y el historial de emisiones; o
- Su óptimo criterio profesional.

Se exige a los propietarios y operadores de instalaciones reportar solo un estimado; no se requieren datos de monitoreo. Además, no se exige a los agricultores reducir las emisiones. Los agricultores deben conservar una copia de los cálculos para referencia futura. Para obtener más información, vea el enlace de Recursos en: www.epa.gov/animalwaste.

#### ¿Cómo reporto según CERCLA?

Para cumplir con los requisitos de reportes de CERCLA en cuanto a emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales, en vez de reportar todos los días, las granjas pueden seguir un proceso simplificado de reportes que se conoce como "reportes de emisiones continuas". Esto exige que el propietario u operador de la instalación siga los pasos descritos en la columna a la derecha.

#### ¿Con qué frecuencia debo estimar las emisiones?

Si usted usa el proceso de reportes de emisiones continuas, debe revisar las emisiones de la grande una vez al año. También deberá estimar las emisiones después de que haya cambios considerables en las operaciones que puedan causar aumentos estadísticamente significativos en las emisiones.

#### ¿Debo presentar un informe según EPCRA?

La EPA interpreta la ley como que excluye a las granjas que usan sustancias en "operaciones agrícolas de rutina" de los reportes según la sección 304 de la EPCRA. Esto abarca operaciones de rutina en las granjas, operaciones de alimentación de animales, criaderos de plantas, otras operaciones de horticultura y acuicultura. Para obtener más información, vea: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/epcra/question-and-answer-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal">www.epa.gov/epcra/question-and-answer-epcra-reporting-requirements-air-releases-hazardous-substances-animal</a>.

#### ¿Deben cumplir las granjas que tienen animales mantenidos principalmente fuera de una estructura cerrada y pastando en pastizales, con reportar emisiones de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales conforme a CERCLA?

## Proceso de reportes de emisiones continuas según CERCLA

Paso 1: Proporcione al Centro Nacional de Respuesta (National Response Center, NRC, por sus siglas en inglés) una notificación inicial de emisiones continuas por correo electrónico (farms@uscg.mil) o por teléfono (1-800-424-8802). Un propietario u operador puede enviar una notificación por correo electrónico abarcando múltiples granjas.

Su mensaje de correo electrónico debe identificar que esta es una notificación inicial de emisiones continuas e incluir:

- Nombre de la granja
- Ubicación de la granja (por ej., nombre de la ciudad/pueblo y estado)
- Nombre(s) de la(s) sustancia(s) peligrosa(s) emitida (s) (amoníaco y/o sulfuro de hidrógeno)

Nota: El NRC no exige información personalmente identificable, como la dirección de una residencia privada. Una ubicación genérica (nombre de la ciudad/pueblo y estado) puede ser suficiente.

Recibirá un mensaje de correo electrónico del NRC con un solo número de identificación (CR-ERNS) para su(s) granja(s). Incluya e número de CR-ERNS on el informe de

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Paso 2: Dentro de un plazo de 30 días de la notificación al NRC, presente una notificación inicial por escrito a la Oficina Regional de la EPA correspondiente al área donde ocurre la emisión (vea www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-ems-regional-contacts). Use el Formulario de reportes de emisiones continuas.

Paso 3: Presente una sola vez un informe de seguimiento en el primer aniversario a la Oficina Regional de la EPA.

Sí, en caso de que la instalación tenga emisiones sobre la cantidad reportable. La EPA considera toda propiedad contigua con propietario común como instalación única para fines de reportar. Con el objeto de determinar si tiene una emisión reportable, una persona debe identificar todas las fuentes de emisiones de sustancias peligrosas, identificar las cantidades

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que se emiten de cada fuente y sumar las cantidades emitidas de la instalación. Al hacer esta determinación, las granjas deben incluir todas las emisiones de la instalación, incluso emisiones de desechos animales provenientes de animales que se mantienen principalmente fuera de una estructura cerrada.

#### Recursos adicionales

- Envíe por correo electrónico comentarios o sugerencias sobre materiales de orientación a: CERCLA103.guidance@epa.gov
- Contactos regionales: www.epa.gov/epcra/cr-erns-regional-contacts
- Formularios de reportes de emisiones continuas: www.epa.gov/animalwaste
- Centro Nacional de Respuesta: 800-424-8802 o farms@uscg.mil

#### ¿Tiene alguna pregunta?

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Thanks, -Nick

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Hay dos leyes ambientales, la Ley de Responsabilidad, Compensación y Respuesta Ambiental Comprensiva (CERCLA, por sus siglas en inglés) y la Ley de Planificación para Emergencias y Derecho a Saber de la Comunidad (EPCRA, por sus siglas en inglés) que exigen reportar emisiones de una sustancia peligrosa que exceda una cantidad reportable en un periodo de 24 horas. El propósito de la notificación es para que los funcionarios federales, estatales y locales evalúen la necesidad de una respuesta de emergencia a fin de mitigar los efectos de la emisión a la comunidad.

Debido a una decisión judicial reciente, pronto se les exigirá a algunas granjas (incluidos ranchos, operaciones ganaderas y/u operaciones animales) reportar las emisiones al aire de sustancias peligrosas provenientes de desechos animales según CERCLA.

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Hubo grupos de ciudadanos que objetaron la validez de la regla de la EPA, y la Corte de Apelaciones de los EE. UU. correspondiente al Circuito DC anuló dicha regla de la EPA el 11 de abril de 2017. Por lo tanto, ya no es aplicable la exención reglamentaria de la EPA.

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#### ¿Cuándo tengo que reportar?

Se espera que se emita la orden judicial el 22 de enero de 2018. Las granjas no deben reportar hasta que se emita la orden judicial.

#### ¿Debo presentar un informe de CERCLA?

Se exige reportar cuando las emisiones de sustancias peligrosas (como amoníaco o sulfuro de hidrógeno) provenientes de desechos animales alcancen o excedan sus cantidades reportables dentro de un periodo de 24 horas. Para ver una lista completa de sustancias peligrosas conforme a CERCLA, consulte el enlace de Recursos en inglés en:

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#### ¿Qué sustancias se deben reportar?

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La EPA reconoce que será dificil para los agricultores estimar las emisiones porque no hay una metodología generalmente aceptada para estimar estas emisiones en este momento.

Hay muchos factores que influyen en las emisiones:

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- condiciones ambientales;
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- características de los animales (por ej. número, especie, etapa de vida);
- · condiciones operativas; y
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Debido a las interacciones complejas de estos factores, no pueden estandarizarse las emisiones basándose exclusivamente en el número y tipo de animales que haya en cada operación animal. Por ejemplo, hay muchas situaciones donde las operaciones con menos animales tienen mayores emisiones que las operaciones con mayor número de la misma especie animal.

La EPA está trabajando para desarrollar metodologías destinadas a estimar las emisiones de una amplia variedad de operaciones para así informar mejor sobre estimar emisiones provenientes de desechos animales. Sin embargo, no se terminará dicha labor antes del mandato judicial para que los agricultores reporten.

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Para asistir a los agricultores con los requisitos de reportar, la EPA ha puesto recursos a disposición en su sitio web que pueden ser útiles para estimar las emisiones. También puede usar otros modelos para estimar emisiones o puede estimar cantidades de emisiones basándose en:

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